

21 keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life.

22 And I have mercy on some, who are doubting;

23 say to the church, 'I will come out to you, and I will stand with you, and I will give you the white garment polluted by the flesh.'

21 *Titus 2:13
22 *Or, convince
23 *Amos 4:11
24 *Zech. 3:3f.
25 *Rom. 16:25
26 *Cor. 4:14
27 *1 Pet. 4:13
28 *John 3:4-8
29 *Heb. 12:18

24 *Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the glory, majesty, honor, and authority of the Father, the Father and now

verse-by-verse thru

A Christmas message from John MacArthur

THE REVELATION TO JOHN

Revelation

with Dr. Dave Newton

WELCOME

THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which he gave unto his servants, which he must needs keep, and he sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John.

2 who bore witness to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, all that saw these things, and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and heed the things which are written in it; for the time is near.

Message to the Seven Churches

4 *John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace, from Him who is and who was and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne;

5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and who has freed us from our sins by His blood, and who has made us a kingdom, priests to His Father; to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7 *BEHOLD, HE IS COMING WITH THE CLOUDS, and EVERY EYE WILL SEE HIM, EVEN THOSE WHO PIERCED HIM; AND ALL THE TRIBES OF THE EARTH WILL MOURN OVER HIM. Even so, Amen.

8 *I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

The Patmos Vision

9 *I, John, your brother and fellow-partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and perseverance which are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos, because of the

word of God and the testimony of Jesus, which he gave unto his servants, and he sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John.

11 saying, "Write in a book what you see, and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, and to Smyrna, and to Pergamum and to Thyatira."

12 And I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands: and in the middle of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His breast with a golden girdle.

13 and in the middle of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His breast with a golden girdle.

14 And His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire.

15 and His feet were like burnished brass, as when it has been cast into a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters.

16 And in His right hand He held seven stars; and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as a dead man. And He laid His right hand upon me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last."

18 and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

19 *Write therefore the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall take place after these things.

* the outfit of the priest
Saul's outfit (King)
* from the Davidic issue same

2:1-7 (a) PASSION ORIGINAL
(b) GOING ONE WAY, STOPPING BY ANOTHER
(c) Get back to it

20 *As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

CHAPTER 2
Message to Ephesus

To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

The One who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks among the seven golden lampstands, says this:

2 *I know your deeds, and you toil and persevere, and did not allow yourself to be weary, and you cannot endure evil men, and you do not give up, and you have not hated the apostates, and they are not hating you, and you found the things which I have written.

3 and you have persevered and have endured for My name, and have not grown weary.

4 *But I have this against you, that you have left your first love.

5 *Remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent, and do the deeds you did at first, or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand from its place - unless you repent.

6 *Yet this you do hate: the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 *He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

8 *And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write:

The first and the last, who was dead, and has come to life, says this:

9 *I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy by those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.

10 *Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

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Message to Pergamum

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3:1, 8, 15 *John 4:1
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3 *John 15:21
4 *Jer. 2:2;
Matt. 24:12
5 *Rev. 2:16
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6 *Matt. 5:1-12
7 *Rev. 2:1
8 *Rev. 2:11, 17, 26;
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The One who has the sharp two-edged sword says this:

13 *I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is; and you hold fast My name, and did not deny My faith, even in the days of Antipas, My witness, My faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.

14 *But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat and to drink of immorality.

15 *Thus you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans. Repent therefore, or else I will come and will war against you, and I will overthrow your lampstand from its place.

16 *If you repent, you will not have to go into exile. If you do not repent, I will come and will remove your lampstand from its place.

17 *He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written on it, which no one knows but he who receives it.

18 *And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write:

The Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet are like burnished bronze, says this:

19 *I know your deeds, and your love and faith and service and perseverance, and that your deeds of late are greater than at first.

20 *But I have this against you, that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and she teaches and leads My bond-servants astray, so that they commit acts of immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.

21 *And I gave her time to repent, and she does not want to repent of her immorality.

22 *Behold, I will cast her upon a bed of sickness, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of her deeds.

23 *And I will kill her children with pestilence; and all the churches will know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts; and I will give to each one of you according to your deeds.

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TO ALL CHURCHES
"I KNOW YOUR WORKS!"

ACTIVITY Eccles. 11:28,32; Luke 23:51

Revelation 3:1-22

Jesus' letters to:

Sardis

Philadelphia

Laodicea

Revelation PROMISES

Blessing Read - Hear - Heed

4 Bases of Apocalyptic literature

Don't over-analyze

Meant to be UNDERSTOOD

and to give us HOPE



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NEW TESTAMENT

34 Books

4 GOSPELS

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

30 epistles

Acts

Colossians

1st Thess.

2nd Thess.

1st Timothy

2nd Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

1st Peter

2nd Peter

1st John

2nd John

3rd John

Jude

Revelation

May 32 AD – 60 AD
as Paul arrives in Rome
to His rented house

Nothing for 1,952 years
from 70 AD to today!
But still-future account

Smyrnans

Pergamums

Thyatirans

Sardisans

Philadelphians

Laodiceans

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James 2:5 *Rev.
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TO ALL CHURCHES
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Rev. 3:1-6 Sardis

To the angel of the church in Sardis Σάρδεις sardeis = red stone

Josephus: Aaron's chest-plate sardonynx [sardius]

City dates to 2000 BC goddess Cybele [Artemis, Diana]

Rev. 4:3 He who sat on the throne appeared as jasper + sardius

Rev 20:21 Fifth foundation stone New Jerusalem [jasper is first]

write: He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars [Jesus again] says: I know your deeds - that you have a name that you are alive - but you are dead

say what you want, think what you like - you are dead

Wake up and strengthen the things that remain which were about to die for I have not found your deeds completed in the sight of My God

Not like Ephesus "return to first love" - this is shore up what remains

So remember what you have received and heard and keep it, and repent

If you do not wake up I will come like a thief - you will not know at what hour

I will come to you [harpazo not 2nd Coming] BE READY [Matt. 25:1-13] "10 bridesmaids"

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Rev. 3:1-6 Sardis

I will **come like a THIEF** - you **will not know at what hour** I will come to you

Matt. 24:36 of that day and hour **no one knows** - not even the angels of heaven

nor the Son - but the Father alone

Matt. 24:38 before Flood, eating-drinking, no cares-worries, marrying, "life as always"

40-41 two in field [AM] two at grindstone [afternoon] two asleep [overnight]

43 if he knew when **thief** was coming, he would have been ready

1st Thess. 5:2 Day-of-the-Lord will come like a **thief** in the night

Rev. 16:15 I AM coming as **thief** - Blessed is one who stays awake

and keeps his **garments** so he will not be found naked

but you have **a few people** in Sardis who **have not soiled their garments** and they will **walk with Me in white** for they are worthy [few 'names' infers specific persons]

[few minority infers LARGE majority 'soiled']

Rev. 6:11 those saved in Tribulation get **white robes**

Rev. 7:9-14 those before same in white robes before the throne, washed their **garments**

the Lamb's blood has made them **white robes**

BE WATCHING BE ALERT

BE DILIGENT BE READY

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Rev. 3:1-6 Sardis

He who overcomes will thus be **clothed in white garments** and I will not **erase his name** from the Book of Life and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels

[βίβλος ζωῆ Biblos Zoe]

Rev. 20 books [plural] opened AND Book of Life [βιβλίον] NOT "tree"

[record-accounts of each] [single entry system: IN or not in]

Eph. 4:30 believers sealed for that day of redemption

John 6:39 ALL given to Jesus He will not lose one - raise them on that last day

John 10:28-29 no one can snatch them out of My hand

BUT John 15 branches that **did not abide** in the Vine

1st John 2:19 they went out from us, but **not really OF us**

Matt. 7:21-23 did things in your name . . . "depart from me, **I NEVER knew you**"

Matt. 25:14-30 received Gospel enthusiasm . . . 2] NO roots 3] TARES choke

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches

CHURCH HISTORY Daniel 9:26 - Rev. 12:5 Reformation Church 1517-1700

Strengthen what remains [Luther]



Rev. 3:7-13 Philadelphia

Pergamum King Eumenes-II great love for his brother Attalus-II [*philos-delphi*]

To the angel of the church in Philadelphia write [Jesus quotes Isaiah 22:22]

He who is HOLY - who is TRUE - who has the key of David [Eli-akim a "type" of Christ]

[Luke 1:35] [Luke 1:75 holy + true/righteous]

[Matt. 16 keys of kingdom Rev. 1:18 keys of death and Hades]

Who opens and no one will shut - Who shuts and no one opens, says this:

I know your deeds [*ἐργον = business-enterprise*] Look, I have put before you an open door

which no one can shut - because you have a little power and have kept My word

and not denied My name - Behold, I will cause those of the **synagogue of Satan**

who say that they are Jews and are not but lie - I will make them come and

bow down at your feet - and make them know that I have loved you

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Rev. 3:7-13 Philadelphia

Because you have kept the **WORD** of My perseverance - I also will keep you from the hour of testing - that *hour* which is about to **come upon the whole world** to test those who dwell on the earth

I am coming quickly - hold fast what you have so that no one will take your crown - He who overcomes I will make him a *pillar in the temple of My God* and he

[1st Kings 7:15-22 *pillars Jachin + Boaz*]

"He shall establish" + "in Him is strength"

will not go out from it anymore - and I will *write on him the name of My God* and the name of **the city of My God - the new Jerusalem** - which comes down out of heaven from My God and My new name - He who has an ear let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches!

[like *"bright stone"* Thyatira it has Jesus' Name . . . not our new name]

Loyal-Dependable Church TRUE MISSION-FOCUS pillars in New Jerusalem

CHURCH HISTORY Daniel 9:26 - Rev. 12:5 Revival Church 1700-1900

* ✓ the credit of the priest
✓ Saul's outfit (King)
✓ Adam to Daniel wear same

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TO ALL CHURCHES
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1. Most natural reading: Letters to those specific 1st Century churches

"I wonder of they got it together?"

2. CHURCH HISTORY Daniel 9:26 - Rev. 12:5

Apostolic 1st Century Church

32 - 300 AD

Martyred Persecuted Church

100 - 313

Compromising Church

314 - 590

Medieval Roman Catholic

590 - 1517 [Reformation]

Reformation

1517 - 1700

Revival

1700 - 1900

Self-Satisfied Worldly

1900 - harpazo [2022]

"Fascinating to see the parallels"

3. Instruction for ALL churches everywhere - ALL centuries - TODAY

"My church? and Me personally?"

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