



# Letters from God

Revelation 2-3 . July 26, 2020

## Revelation 1:10-11

On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, which said:

“Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.”

## Revelation 2:1-2

To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:  
These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands: I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance.

## Revelation 2:2-3

I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

## Revelation 2:4-5

Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love. Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.

## Revelation 2:6-7

But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.



These are the words of him who:

I know:

Yet I hold this against you:

{Command}

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

To those who overcome, I promise:

# The Church in Ephesus

These are the words of him who:

Holds the 7 stars in his right hand and walks among the  
7 golden lampstands.

I know:

Your deeds, your hard work and perseverance.

Yet I hold this against you:

You have forsaken your first love.

# The Church in Ephesus

{Command}

Repent and do the things you did at first.

To those who overcome:

I will give the right to eat from the tree of life.

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

# The Church in Smyrna

These are the words of him who:

Is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again.

I know:

Your pain and your poverty- yet you are rich!

Yet I hold this against you:

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# The Church in Smyrna

{Command}

Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. Be faithful to the point of death.

To those who overcome:

You will not be hurt at all by the second death.

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

# The Church in Pergamum

These are the words of him who:

Has the sharp double-edged sword.

I know:

Where you live- where Satan has his throne.

Yet I hold this against you:

You hold to false teachings.

# Hebrews 4:12

<sup>12</sup> For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

# The Church in Pergamum

{Command}

Repent!

To those who overcome:

I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give you a white stone with a new name written on it.

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

# The Church in Thyatira

These are the words of him whose:

Eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

I know:

Your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.

Yet I hold this against you:

You tolerate wickedness.

# The Church in Thyatira

{Command}

Hold on to what you have until I come.

To those who overcome:

I will give authority over the nations. I will also give you the morning star.

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

# The Church in Sardis

These are the words of him who:

Holds the 7 spirits of God and the 7 stars.

I know:

Your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.

Yet I hold this against you:

I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God.

# The Church in Sardis

{Command}

Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die.

Remember what you heard: obey it and repent.

To those who overcome:

You will be dressed in white. Your name will never be blotted out of the book of life.

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

## The Church in Philadelphia

These are the words of him who:

Is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut and what he shuts no one can open.

I know:

Your deeds. See, I have placed before you a door that no one can shut. You have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

Yet I hold this against you:

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# The Church in Philadelphia

{Command}

Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown.

To those who overcome:

I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. I will write on you the name of my God and the name of the city of my God: and I will also write on him my new name.

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

# The Church in Laodicea

These are the words of him who:

Is the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation.

I know:

Your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot.

Yet I hold this against you:

You are lukewarm.

# The Church in Laodicea

{Command}

Buy from me gold refined in fire, white clothes to wear, and salve to put on your eyes.

To those who overcome:

I will give the right to sit with me on my throne.

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

## Revelation 3:19-20

Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline.

So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I

stand at the door and knock. If anyone

hears my voice and opens the door, I will

come in and eat with him, and he with me.

What is Jesus saying to  
you?



These are the words of him who:

I know:

Yet I hold this against you:

{Command}

I promise:

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