

## The Letters to the Churches

To	Local Detail	Image of Christ	What Christ Sees: Good	What Christ Sees: Bad	Call to Repent	Promise to the One Who Conquers
<b>All seven churches</b> 1:4, 11		1:5, 12–18				
<b>Ephesus</b> 2:1–7	False apostles and Nicolaitans are there	Holds the seven stars in his right hand; walks among the seven golden lampstands	Have endurance; cannot bear evil people; are not weary; hate the works of the Nicolaitans	Have left your first love	Repent, do first works, or else I will remove your lampstand	I will grant to eat of the tree of life in the paradise of God
<b>Smyrna</b> 2:8–11	Synagogue of Satan is there	The First and the Last, who was dead and came back to life	I know your suffering and poverty	Are afraid of suffering	Stop being afraid of coming suffering, poverty; be faithful to death and I will give you the crown of life	Will not be hurt by the second death
<b>Pergamum</b> 2:12–17	Satan's throne is there; Satan lives there; Antipas was martyred there; the teachings of the Nicolaitans are there	Has the sharp two-edged sword	Hold on to my name; did not deny the faith even when Antipas was martyred	Some hold to the teachings of Balaam (idolatry, immorality) and of the Nicolaitans	Repent, else I will war with the sword of my mouth	I will give of the hidden manna and a white stone and a secret name

<p><b>Thyatira</b> 2:18–29</p>	<p>The so-called prophetess Jezebel is there; some there have known the depths of Satan</p>	<p>The Son of God, who has eyes like fire and feet like brass; searches thoughts and hearts</p>	<p>Have love, faith, service, endurance; your last works are more than your first works</p>	<p>Tolerate the so-called prophetess Jezebel, who teaches people to commit sexual immorality and eat idolatrous food</p>	<p>Repent of adultery with Jezebel; her children will be killed; the faithful must hold fast to what they have</p>	<p>I will give authority to rule the nations with an iron scepter and will give the morning star</p>
<p><b>Sardis</b> 3:1–6</p>	<p>Have a reputation of being alive but are dead</p>	<p>Has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars</p>	<p>A few have not polluted their garments, are worthy to be dressed in white</p>	<p>I know your works; have a reputation of being alive but are dead</p>	<p>Repent; keep what you received; watch, lest I return as a thief</p>	<p>Will be dressed in white; I will not remove his name from the book of life; I will confess his name before my Father and his angels</p>
<p><b>Philadelphia</b> 3:7–13</p>	<p>Have an open door for evangelism; Jews from the synagogue of Satan will acknowledge that I have loved you</p>	<p>The holy and true One, who has the key of David and who opens and closes</p>	<p>I have placed before you an open door; have kept my Word and not denied my name</p>	<p>Have but a little power to take advantage of open doors, opportunities to serve</p>	<p>Hold on to what you have; I will protect you during the testing of all the earth; I am coming quickly</p>	<p>I will place him as a pillar in God's temple; I will write on him God's name, the name of God's city, and my new name</p>
<p><b>Laodicea</b> 3:14–22</p>	<p>Are worldly wealthy, but spiritually poor, naked, blind</p>	<p>The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the source of the creation of God</p>		<p>Lukewarm; do not know own wretchedness</p>	<p>I am about to spit you out; repent and receive purification and healing from me; I knock at the door; if anyone opens, I will enter and eat with him</p>	<p>I will grant to sit with me on my throne</p>