

What Does Jesus Think of My Church?

Part 1

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Ephesus – the Careless Church (Apostolic Age)

Revelation 2:1

Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

Acts 19:10

... so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus...

Revelation 2:2-3

I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil... 3 ... for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Revelation 2:4

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

Revelation 2:5;7

Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place... 7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Smyrna – the Crowned Church (Martyr Age)

Revelation 2:8-10

And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; ... 9 I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) ... 10 ... be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Pergamos – the Compromising Church (Pagan Age)

Revelation 2:12-13

And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write... 13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith...

Revelation 2:14-15

But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam... 15 So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

Revelation 2:16

Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

Thyatira – the Corrupted Church (Dark Age)

Revelation 2:18

And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

Revelation 2:19

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

Revelation 2:20

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.