

The Things Which Are: The Church on Earth Viewed in Responsibility

	EPHESUS	SMYRNA	PERGAMOS		THYATIRA	SARDIS	PHILADELPHIA	LAODICEA
ADDRESS	To the angel of the assembly in Ephesus write:	And to the angel of the assembly in Smyrna write:	And to the angel of the assembly in Pergamos write:		And to the angel of the assembly in Thyatira write:	And to the angel of the assembly in Sardis write:	And to the angel of the assembly in Philadelphia write:	And to the angel of the assembly in Laodicea write:
PRESENTATION OF CHRIST	These things says he that holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lamps: 2:1	These things says the first and the last, who became dead, and lived: 2:8	These things says he that has the sharp two-edged sword: 2:12		These things says the Son of God, he that has his eyes as a flame of fire, and his feet [are] like fine brass: 2:18	These things saith he that has the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars: 3:1	These things saith the holy, the true; he that has the key of David, he who opens and no one shall shut, and shuts and no one shall open: 3:7	These things says the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God: 3:14
COMMENDATION	I know thy works and [thy] labour, and thine endurance, and that thou canst not bear evil [men]; and thou hast tried them who say that themselves [are] apostles and are not, and hast found them liars; and endurest, and hast borne for my name's sake, and hast not wearied: 2:3, 4	I know thy tribulation and thy poverty; but thou art rich; and the railing of those who say that they themselves are Jews, and are not, but a synagogue of Satan. Fear nothing [of] what thou art about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days. 2:9, 10	I know where thou dwellest, where the throne of Satan [is]; and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in the days in which Antipas my faithful witness [was], who was slain among you, where Satan dwells. 2:13		I know thy works, and love, and faith, and service, and thine endurance, and thy last works [to be] more than the first. 2:19		I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an opened door, which no one can shut, because thou hast a little power, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. Behold, I make them of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews, and are not, but lie; behold, I will cause that they shall come and shall do homage before thy feet, and shall know that I have loved thee. Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee out of the hour of trial, which is about to come upon the whole habitable world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. 3:8-10	
JUDGMENT	but I have against thee, that thou hast left thy first love. 2:5		But I have a few things against thee: that thou hast there those who hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a snare before the sons of Israel, to eat [of] idol sacrifices and commit fornication. So thou also hast those who hold the doctrine of Nicolaitanes in like manner. 2:14, 15		But I have against thee that thou permittest the woman Jezebel, she who calls herself prophetess, and she teaches and leads astray my servants to commit fornication and eat of idol sacrifices. And I gave her time that she should repent, and she will not repent of her fornication. Behold, I cast her into a bed, and those that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of her works, and her children will I kill with death; and all the assemblies shall know that I am he that searches [the] reins and [the] hearts; and I will give to you each according to your works. 2:20-23	I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead. Be watchful, and strengthen the things that remain, which are about to die, for I have not found thy works complete before my God. 3:2		I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot; I would thou wert cold or hot. Thus because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and am grown rich, and have need of nothing, and knowest not that thou art the wretched and the miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked; I counsel thee to buy of me gold purified by fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white garments, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness may not be made manifest; and eye-salve to anoint thine eyes, that thou mayest see. 3:15-18
ADMONITION	Remember therefore whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works: but if not, I am coming to thee, and I will remove thy lamp out of its place, except thou shalt repent. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the works of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate. 2:5, 6	Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give to thee the crown of life. 2:10	Repent therefore: but if not, I come to thee quickly, and I will make war with them with the sword of my mouth. 2:16		But to you I say, the rest who [are] in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, who have not known the depths of Satan, as they say, I do not cast upon you any other burden; but what ye have hold fast till I shall come. 2:24, 25	Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and keep [it] and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come [upon thee] as a thief, and thou shalt not know at what hour I shall come upon thee. 3:3,4	I come quickly: hold fast what thou hast, that no one take thy crown. 3:11	I rebuke and discipline as many as I love; be zealous therefore and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and am knocking; if any one hear my voice and open the door, I will come in unto him and sup with him, and he with me. 3:19-20
CALL TO HEAR	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 2:7	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 2:11	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 2:17		And he that overcomes, and he that keeps unto the end my works, to him will I give authority over the nations, and he shall shepherd them with an iron rod; as vessels of pottery are they broken in pieces, as I also have received from my Father; and I will give to him the morning star. 2:27-28	But thou hast a few names in Sardis which have not defiled their garments, and they shall walk with me in white, because they are worthy. He that overcomes, he shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot his name out of the book of life, and will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. 3:5	He that overcomes, him will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more at all out; and I will write upon 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. 3:12	He that overcomes, to him will I give to sit with me in my throne; as I also have overcome, and have sat down with my Father in his throne. 3:21
PROMISE TO OVERCOMER	To him that overcomes, I will give to him to eat of the tree of life which is in the paradise of God. 2:7	He that overcomes shall in no wise be injured of the second death. 2:11	To him that overcomes, to him will I give of the hidden manna; and I will give to him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written, which no one knows but he that receives [it]. 2:17		He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 2:9	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 3:6	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 3:13	He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. 3:22

Three Successional States

Four Contemporaneous States After Development

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