

THE 7 CHURCHES OF
REVELATION

Ephesus

Smyrna

Pergamum

Thyatira

Sardis

Philadelphia

Laodicea

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Ephesus

(REVELATION 2:1-7)

commendation — rejecting evil, patience, labor, testing
false apostles, perseverance

complaint — lost their love for Jesus

correction — remember, repent, do the first works

judgement — removal of lampstand

promise — access to the tree of life

Smyrna

(REVELATION 2:8-11)

commendation — enduring suffering and poverty

complaint — none

correction — none

judgement — none

promise — the crown of life

Pergamos

(REVELATION 2:12–17)

commendation — faithfulness to Christ—even in the face of martyrdom

complaint — tolerated immorality, idolatry & heresies

correction — repent

judgement — the sword of Christ's mouth

promise — hidden manna, a white stone, a new name

Thyatira

(REVELATION 2:18-29)

commendation — love, service, faith, patience

complaint — tolerance of Jezebel and her wickedness

correction — repent

judgement — casting of Jezebel's consorts into the great tribulation and killing her children

promise — rule over nations, possession of the morning star

Sardis

(REVELATION 3:1–6)

commendation — few who have remained faithful

complaint — deadness despite reputation for life

correction — repent, strengthen what remains

judgement — approach of Christ himself

promise — clothed in white garments, permanent listing in book of life, confession of name before the Father

Philadelphia

(REVELATION 3:7-13)

commendation — faithfulness

complaint — none

correction — none

judgement — none

promise — an open door, deliverance from great tribulation,
permanent place in temple of God, a new name

Laodicea

(REVELATION 3:14–22)

commendation — none

complaint — indifference, over-estimate of status before God

correction — repent, seek genuine spiritual riches

judgement — expulsion from the mouth of the Lord

promise — sharing Christ's throne

The Seven Churches of Revelation

CHURCH	COMMENDATION	COMPLAINT	CORRECTION	JUDGMENT	PROMISE
Ephesus (Rev 2:1–7)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rejecting evil patience labor testing false apostles perseverance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> lost their love for Jesus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> remember repent do the first works 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> removal of lampstand 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> access to the tree of life
Smyrna (Rev 2:8–11)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> enduring suffering and poverty 	none	none	none	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the crown of life
Pergamos (Rev 2:12–17)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> faithfulness to Christ—even in the face of martyrdom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tolerated immorality, idolatry and heresies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the sword of Christ's mouth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> hidden manna a white stone a new name
Thyatira (Rev 2:18–29)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> love service faith patience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tolerance of Jezebel and her wickedness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> casting of Jezebel's consorts into the great tribulation and killing her children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rule over nations possession of the morning star
Sardis (Rev 3:1–6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> few who have remained faithful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> deadness despite reputation for life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repent strengthen what remains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> approach of Christ himself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> clothed in white garments permanent listing in book of life confession of name before the Father
Philadelphia (Rev 3:7–13)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> faithfulness 	none	none	none	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> an open door deliverance from great tribulation permanent place in temple of God a new name
Laodicea (Rev 3:14–22)	none	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> indifference over-estimate of status before God 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repent seek genuine spiritual riches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> expulsion from the mouth of the Lord 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sharing Christ's throne

THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION

