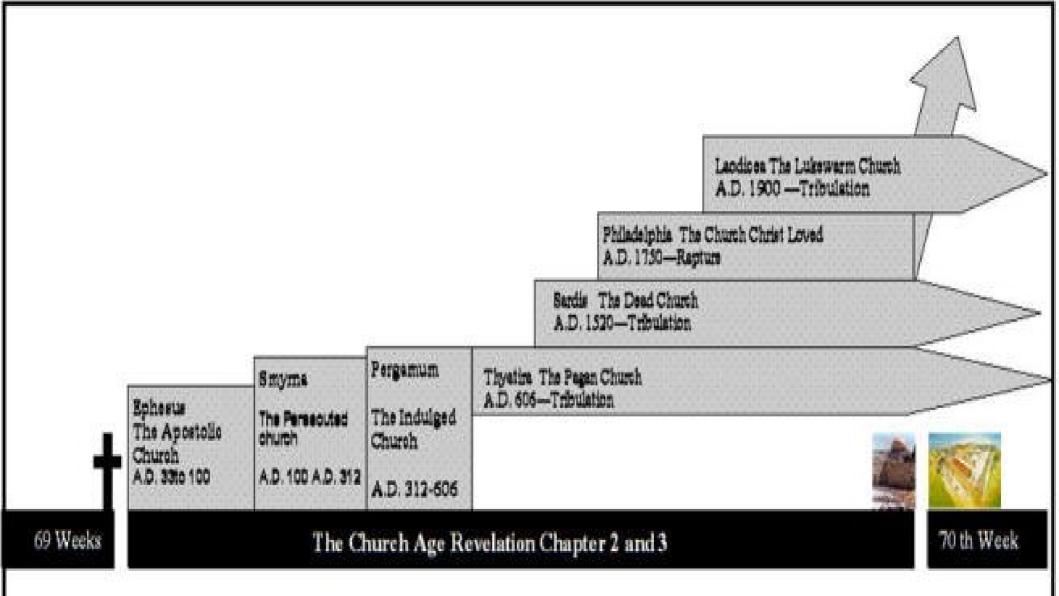


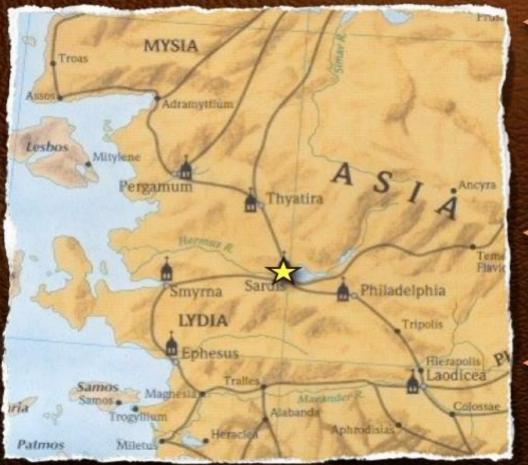
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#### The Fifth Church: Sardis

"And to the angel of the church in Sardis write, ... " Rev 3:1



- Located about 30 miles southeast of Thyatira, on an important trade route that ran east and west through the kingdom of Lydia.
- ◆The ancient capital of Lydia under King Croesus who was legendary for his wealth (560 to 547 BC)
- Birthplace of the first minted coin (credited for origin of modern currency).

The stream Pactolus which flowed through the market-place "carried golden sands" in early antiquity, which was in reality gold dust out of Mount Tmolus. It was during the reign of King Croesus that the metallurgists of Sardis discovered the secret of separating gold from silver, thereby producing both metals of a purity never known before. This was an economic revolution, for while gold nuggets panned or mined were used as currency, their purity was always suspect and a hindrance to trade. Such nuggets or coinage were naturally occurring alloys of gold and silver known as electrum and one could never know how much of it was gold and how much was silver. Sardis now could mint nearly pure silver and gold coins, the value of which could be—and was—trusted throughout the known world. This revolution made Sardis rich and Croesus' name synonymous with wealth itself. For this reason, Sardis is famed in history as the place where modern currency was invented. Disaster came to the great city under the reign of the emperor Tiberius, when in AD 17, Sardis was destroyed by an earthquake, but it was rebuilt. It was one of the great cities of western Asia Minor until the later Byzantine period.







### Revelation 3





1 And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead. 2 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before



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3 Remember therefore how thou hast re-





ceived and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee. 4 Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they



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- 5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.
- 6 The that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

# The Pattern of the Letters Greeting To the angel of the church in Sardis write: Description of Himself He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars.

alive, but you are dead

that you be ready to die

they are worthy.

Observation

Commendation

Condemnation

Warning

**Exhortation** 

**Promises** 

(To the Overcomer)

I know your work, that you have a name that you are

You have a few names who have not defiled their

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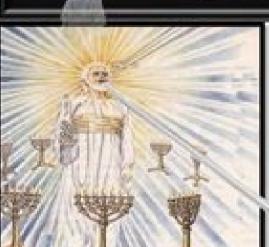
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Remember how you received and heard; hold fast

and repent...or I will come upon you as a thief...





REVELATION 3
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THE WORDS OF HIM
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& THE 7 STARS.



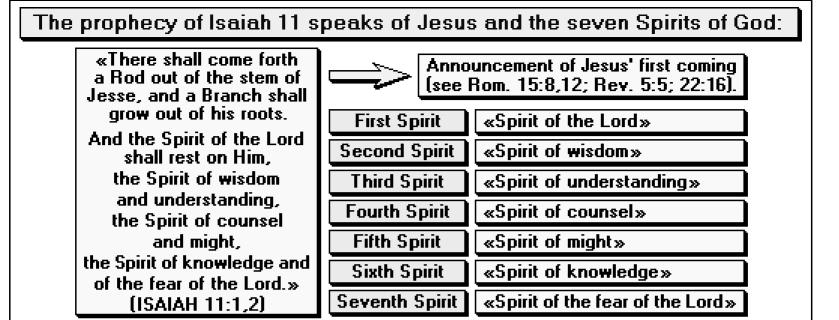
#### The prophecy of Isaiah 11 speaks of Jesus and the seven Spirits of God:

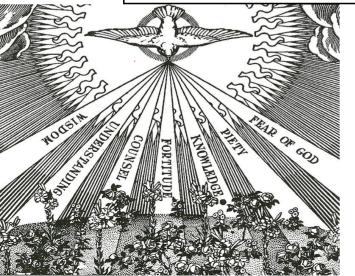
«There shall come forth a Rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.



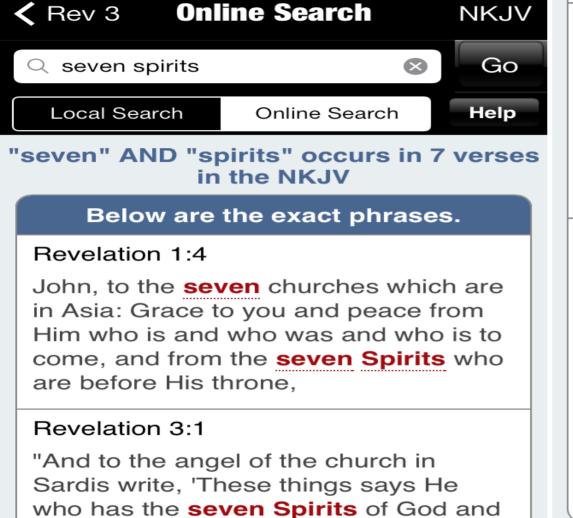
Announcement of Jesus' first coming (see Rom. 15:8,12; Rev. 5:5; 22:16).

First Spirit | «Spirit of the Lord»









the **seven** stars: "I know your works,

that you have a name that you are

alive, but you are dead.

of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having **seven** horns and **seven** eyes, which are the **seven**Spirits of God sent out into all the

And I looked, and behold, in the midst

Revelation 4:5

**Spirits** of God.

Revelation 5:6

earth.

And from the throne proceeded

lightnings, thunderings, and voices.

**Seven** lamps of fire [were] burning

before the throne, which are the **seven** 

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#### Revelation 1:16

He had in His right hand **seven stars**, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance [was] like the sun shining in its strength.

#### Revelation 1:20

"The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.

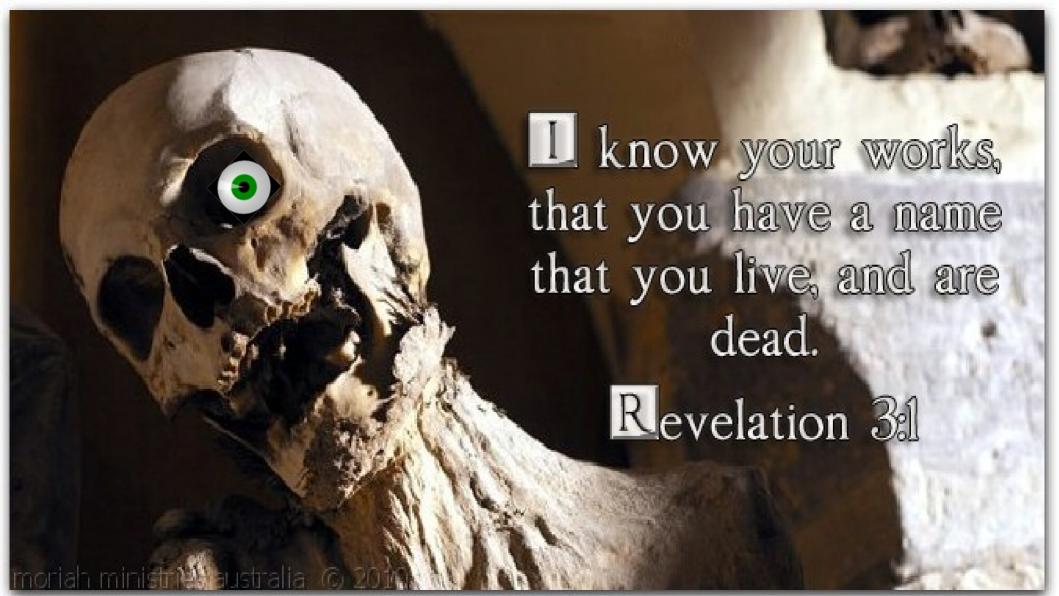
#### Revelation 2:1

"To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, 'These things says He who holds the **seven stars** in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the **seven** golden lampstands:

#### Revelation 3:1

"And to the angel of the church in Sardis write, 'These things says He who has the **seven** Spirits of God and the **seven stars**: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.

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"I KNOW YOUR WORKS.

YOU HAVE THE REPUTATION OF BEING ALIVE.





## WAKE UP!

& STRENGTHEN WHAT REMAINS & IS ABOUT TO DIE,



FOR I HAVE NOT FOUND YOUR WORKS COMPLETE

IN THE SIGHT OF MY GOD.



3 REMEMBER, THEN,
WHAT YOU RECEIVED & HEARD.
KEEP IT, & REPENT.
IF YOU WILL NOT WAKE UP

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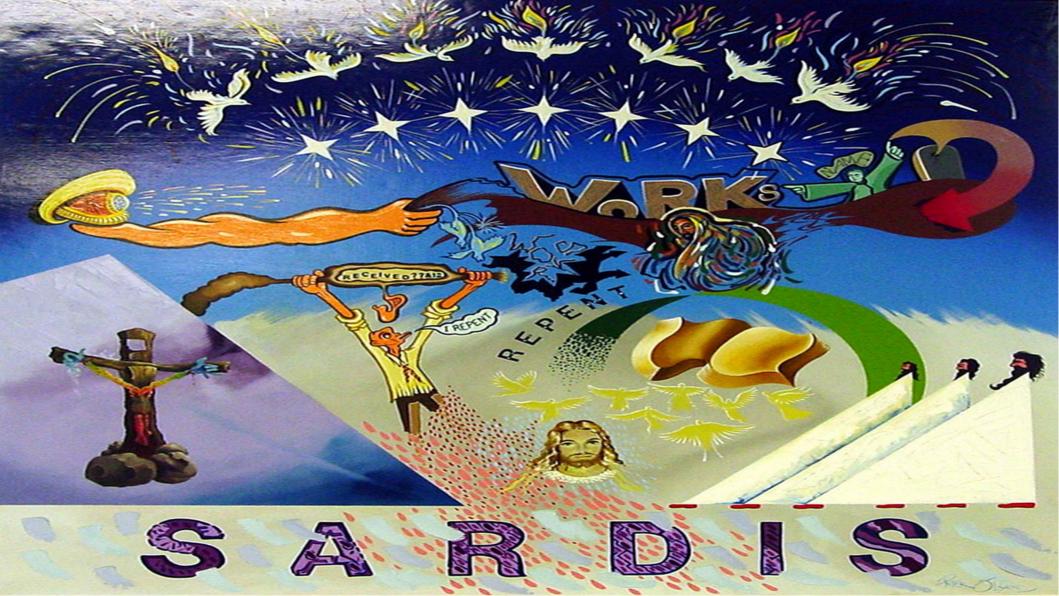


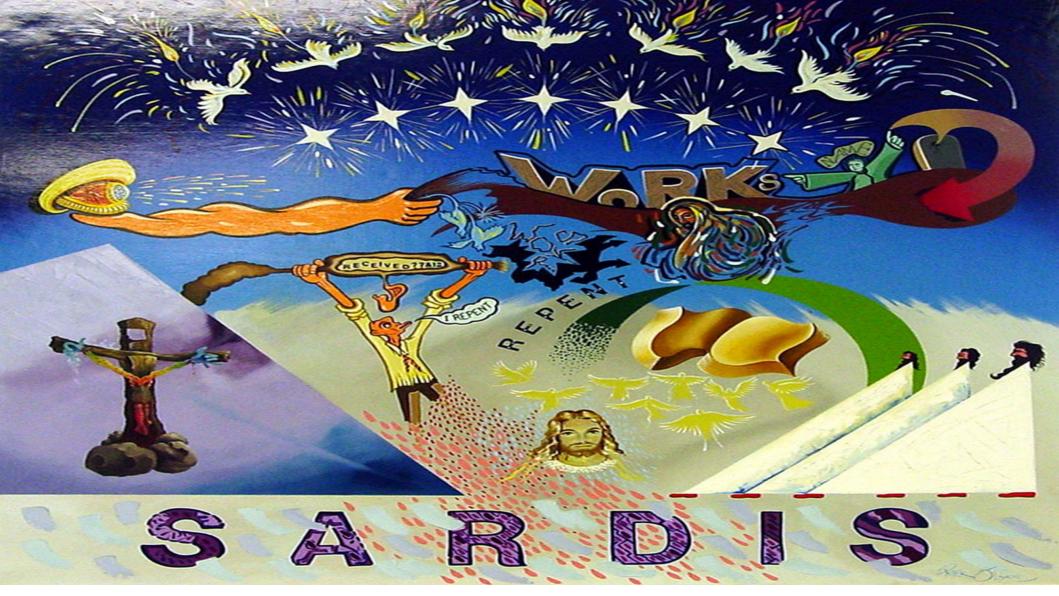
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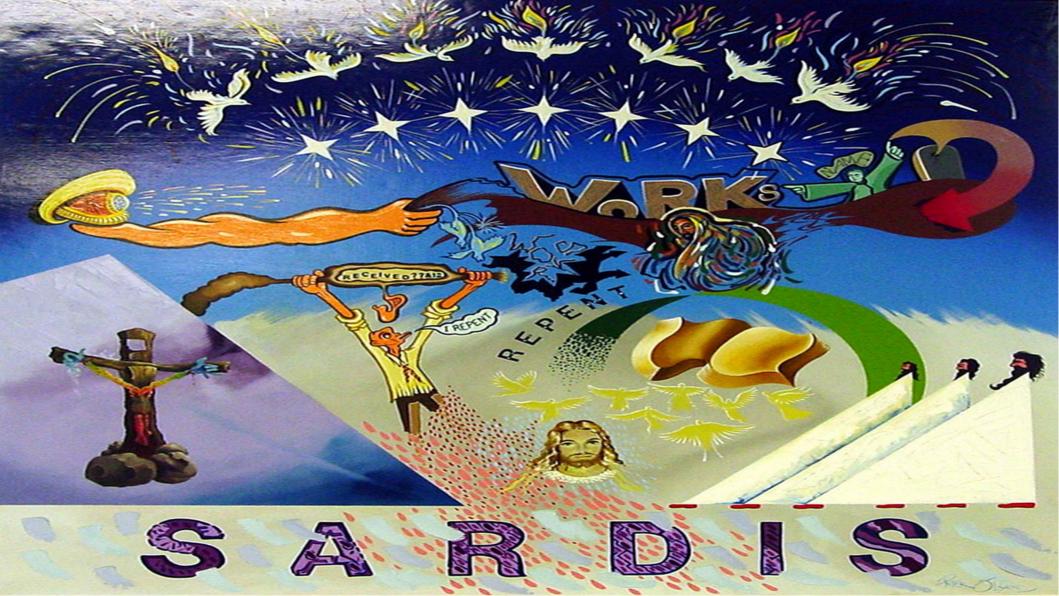


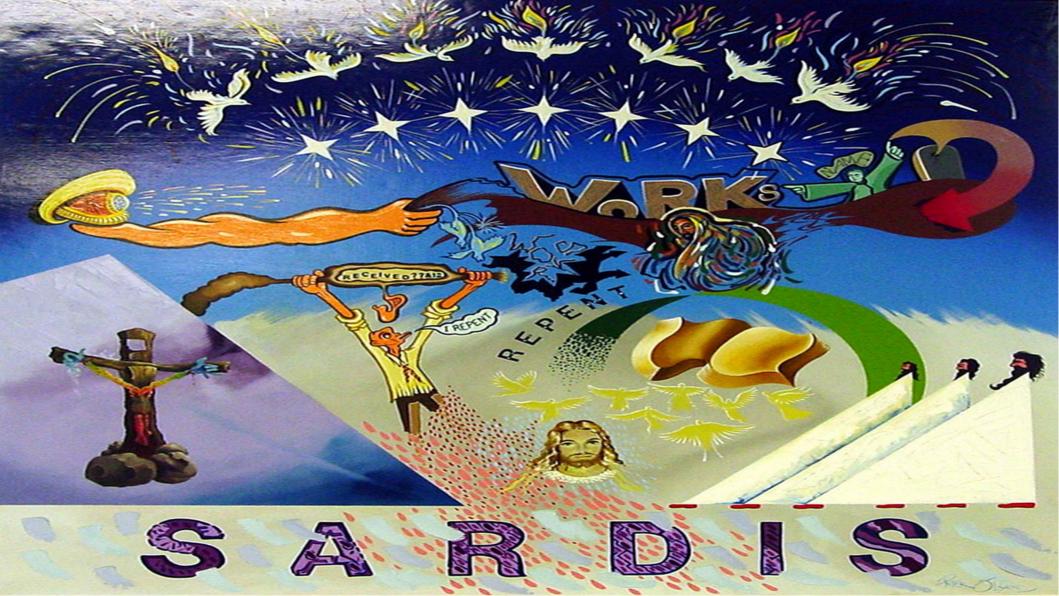
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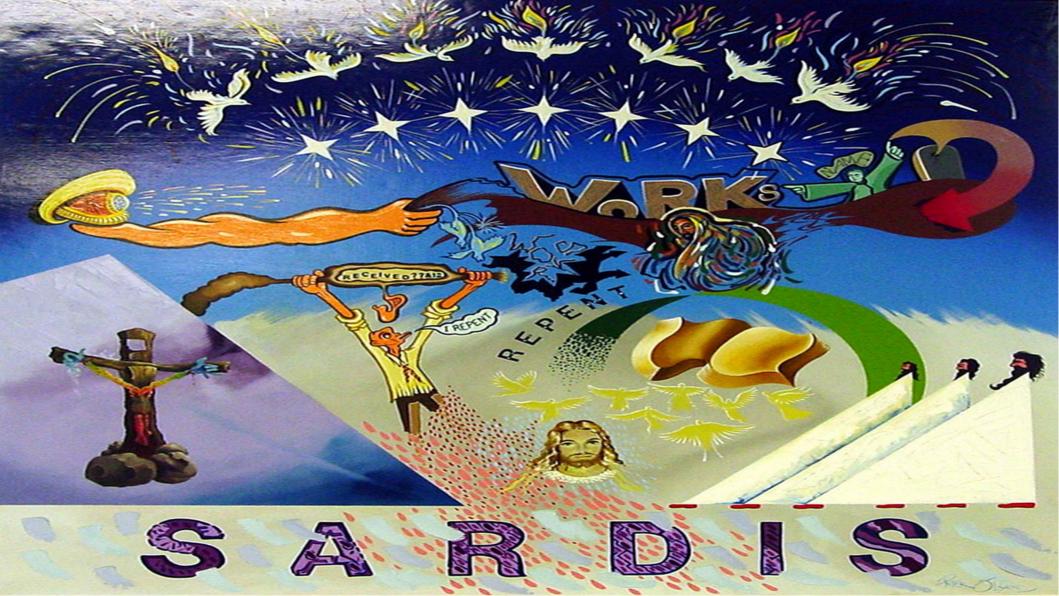
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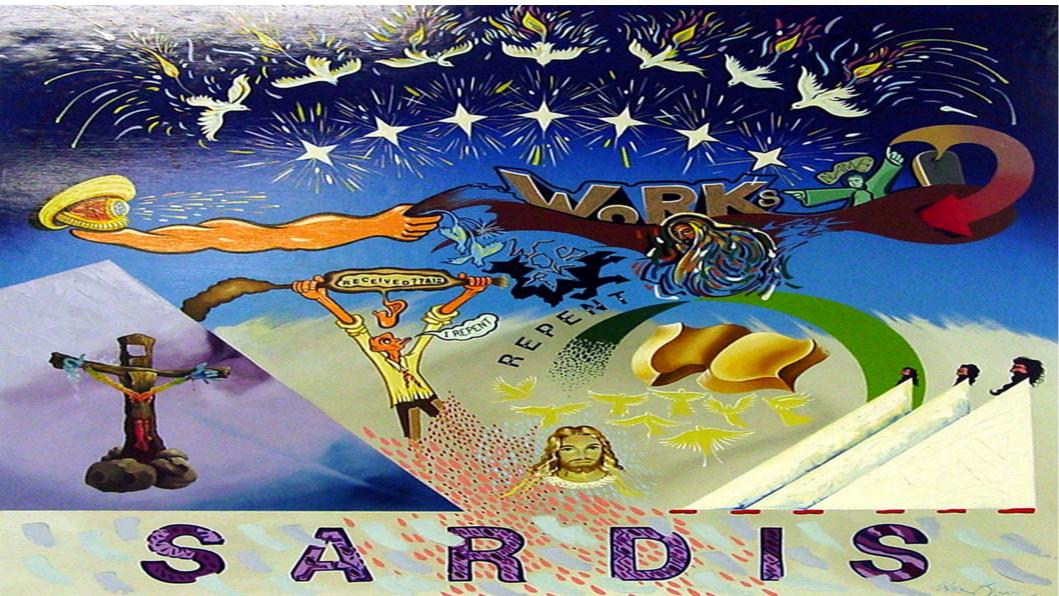


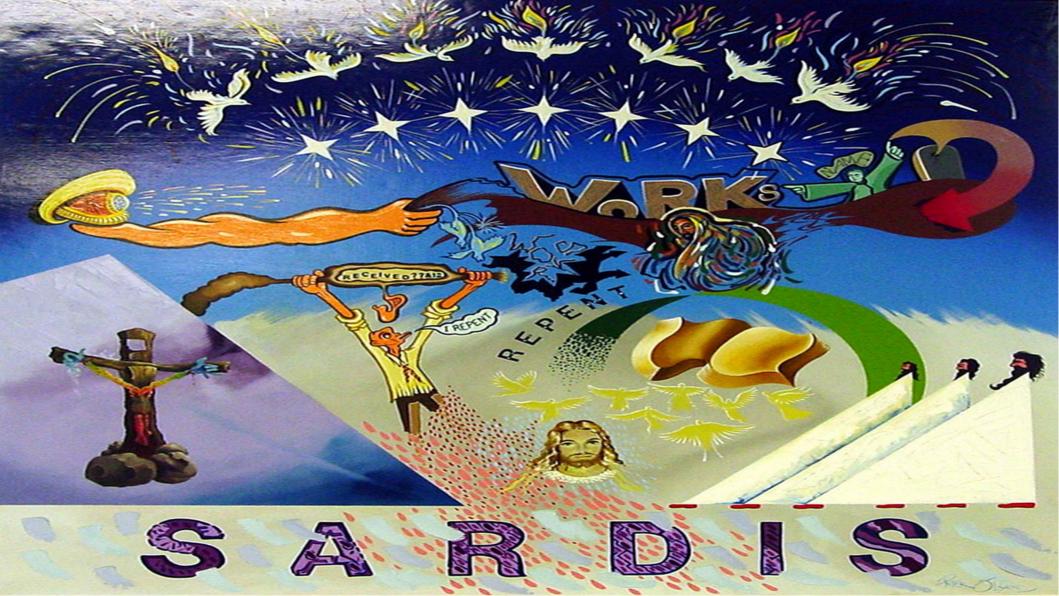


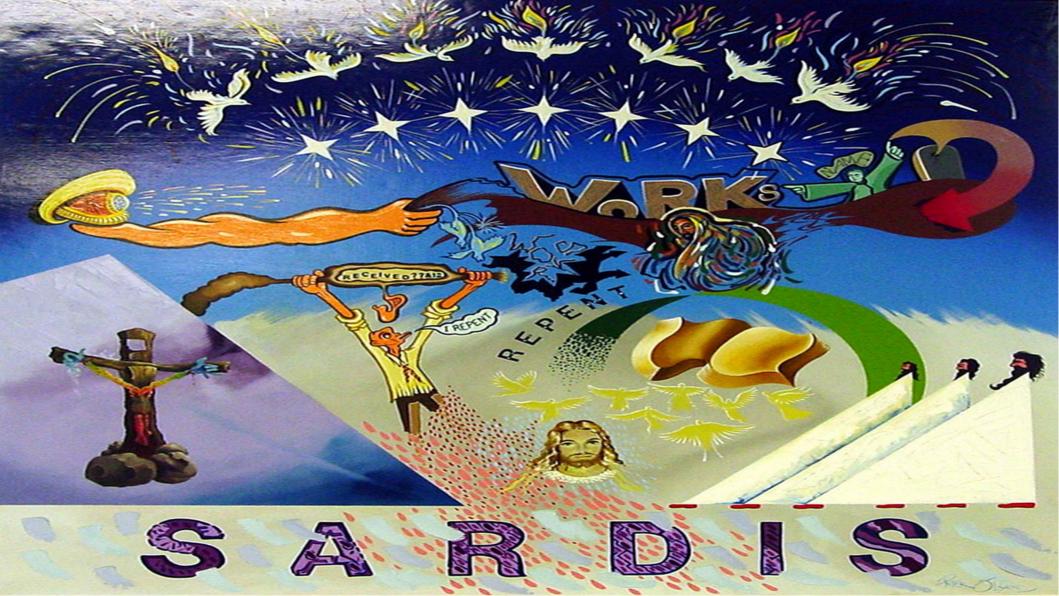


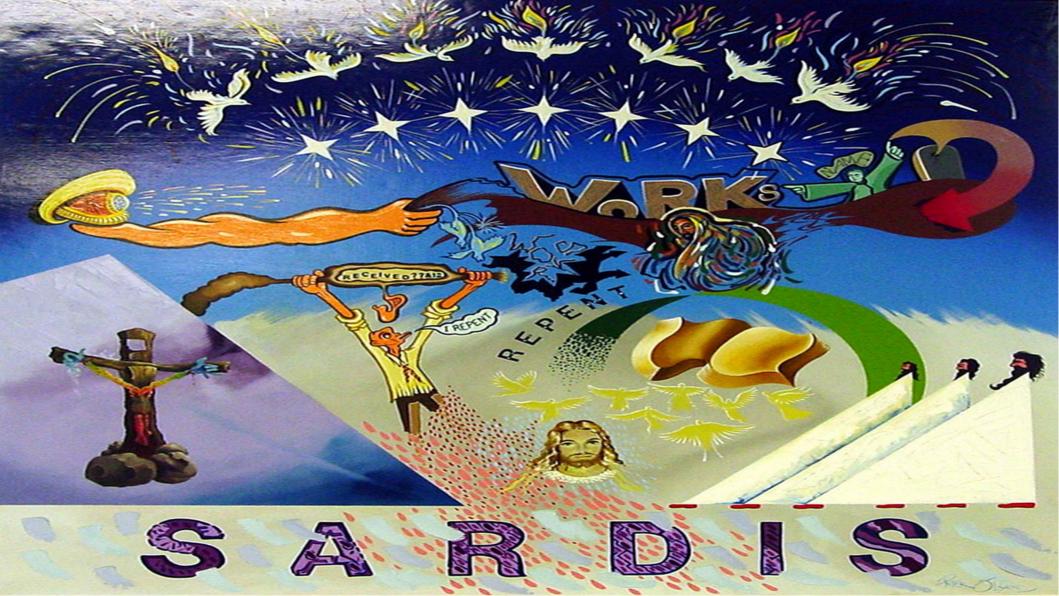


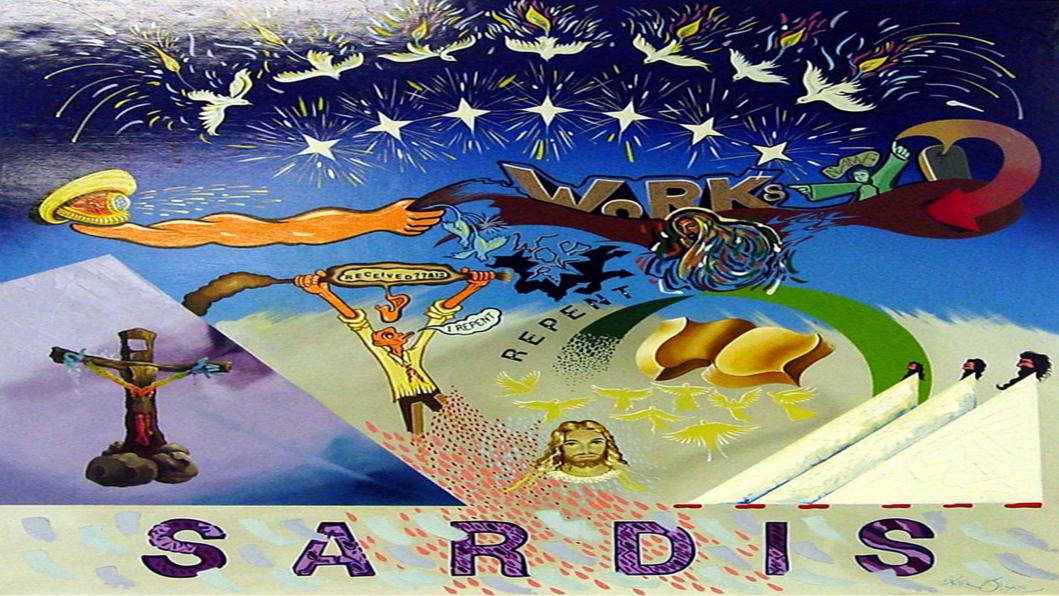


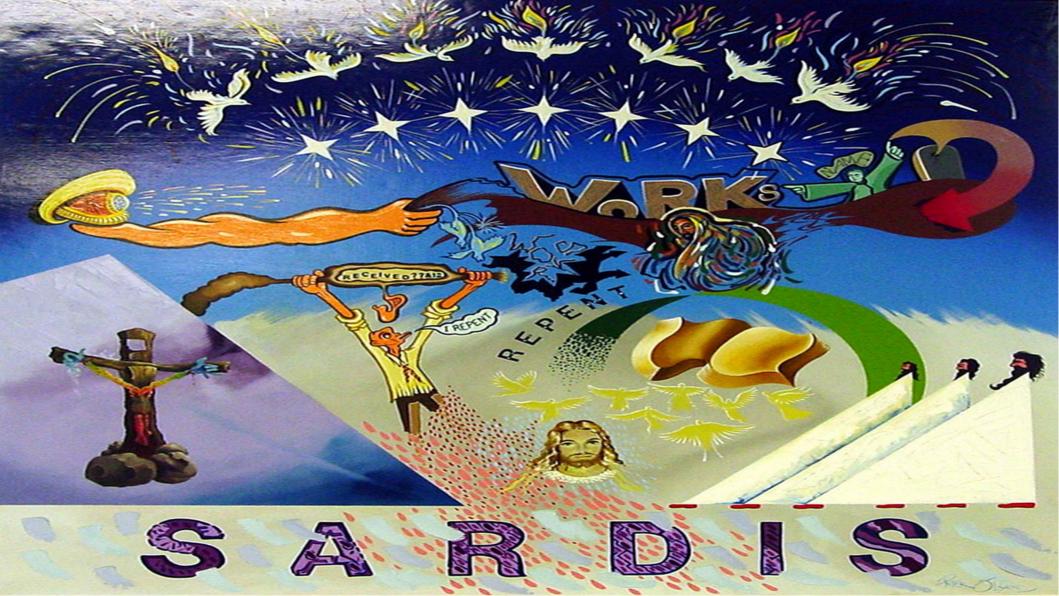


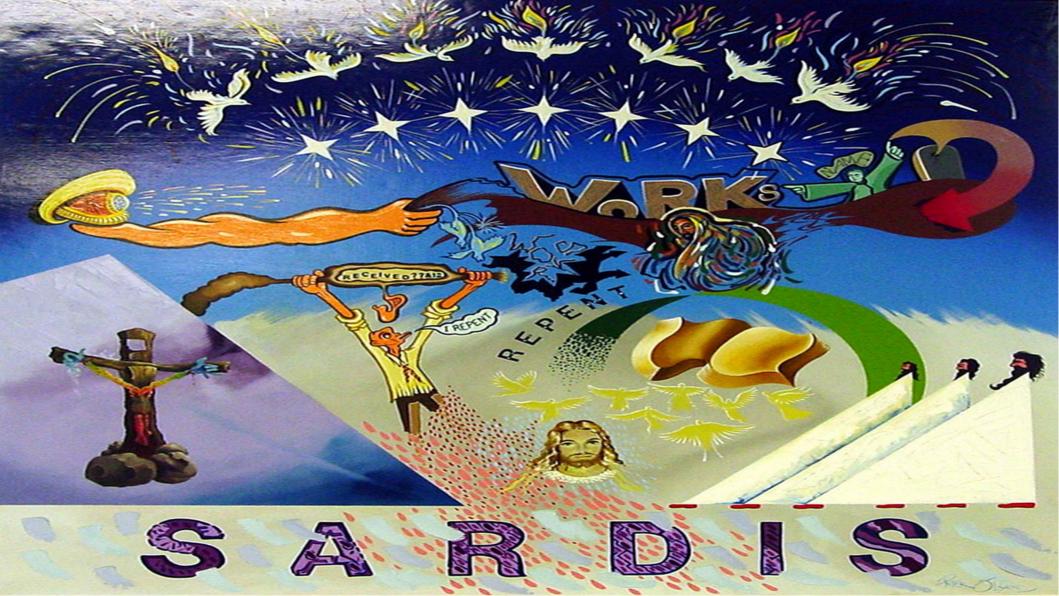


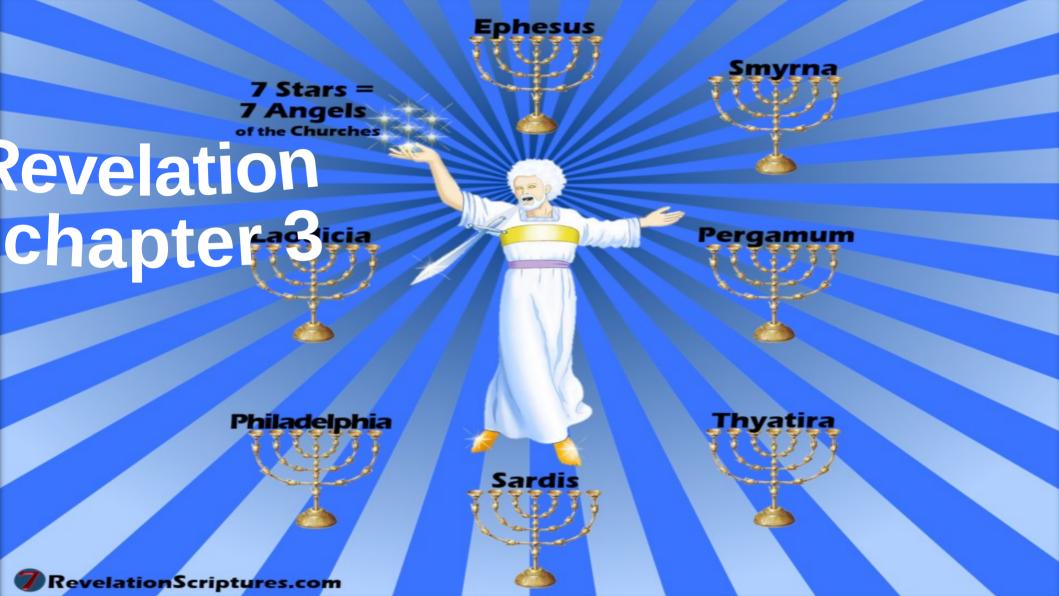




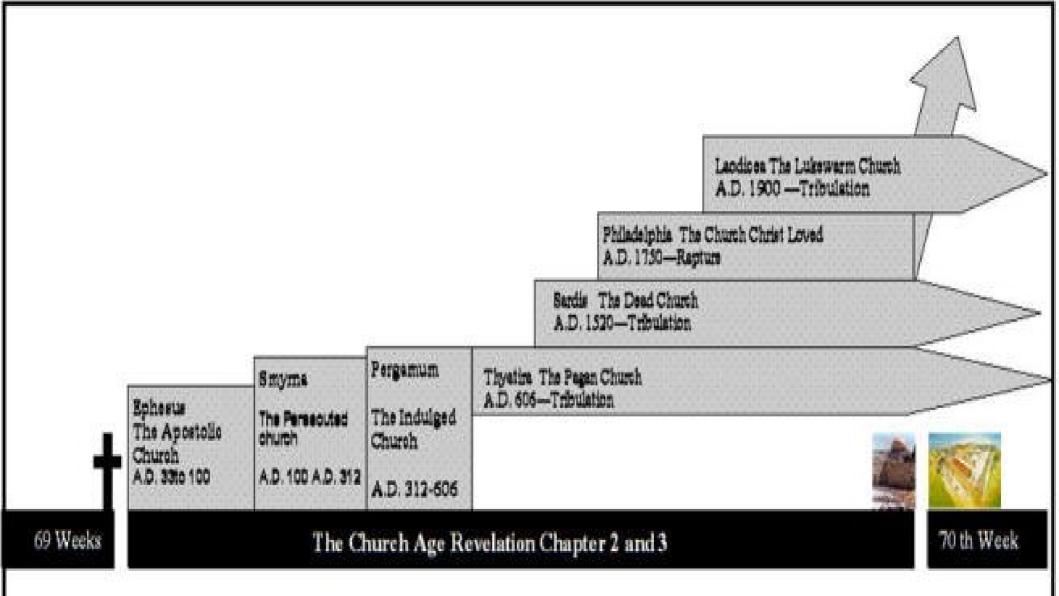








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- 7 ¶ And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

  8 I know thy works; hehold, I have set be-
- 8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.
- 9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.



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- 10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.
- 11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.



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12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. 13 The that hath an ear, let him hear what

the Spirit saith unto the churches.

# PHILADELPHIA



REVELATION 3:7-13

7 % TO THE ANGEL OF THE CHURCH IN PHILADELPHIA WRITE:

THE WORDS OF THE HOLY ONE,

THE TRUE ONE,

WHO HAS, THE KEY OF DAVID

8 "I KNOW YOUR WORKS.



WHICH NO ONE IS ABLE TO SHUT.



#### I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BUT LITTLE POWER,

& YET YOU HAVE KEPT MY WORD & LAVE NOT DENIED MY NAME.





PEHOLD, I WILL MAKE THOSE OF THE SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN WHO SAY THAT THEY ARE JEWS & ARE NOT, BUT LIE—
BEHOLD, I WILL MAKE THEM COME & BOW DOWN BEFORE YOUR FEET, & THEY WILL LEARN THAT I HAVE LOVED YOU.

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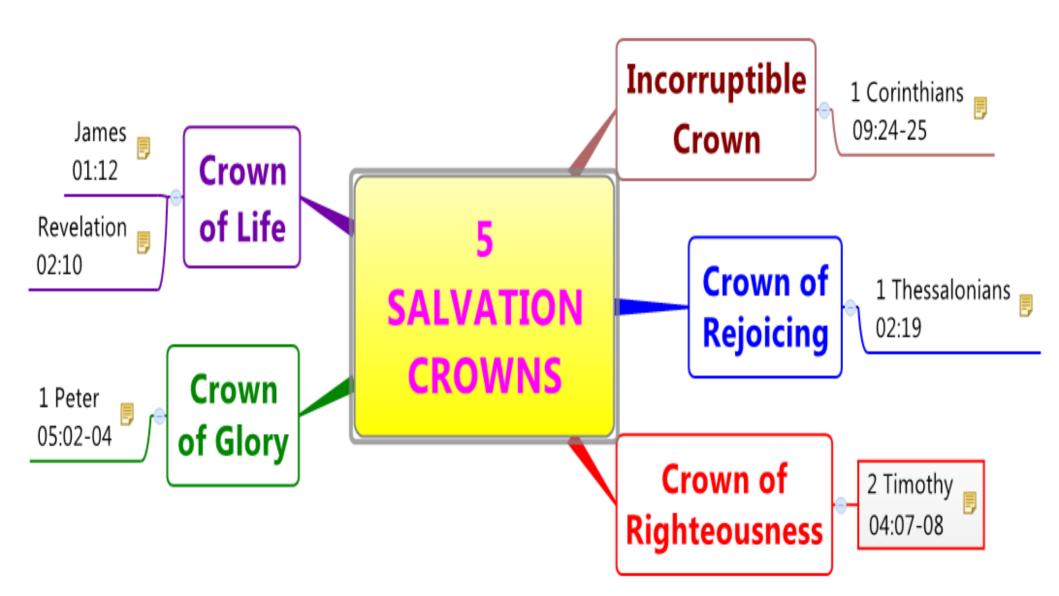
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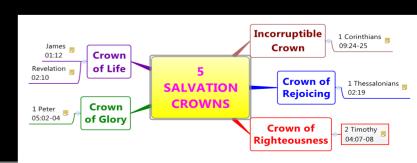
## Crown of Life

#### **James 1:12**

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

(Rev. 2:10)



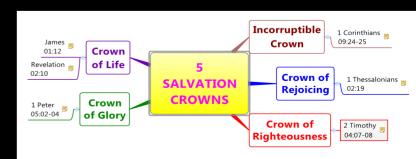


## Crown of Glory

#### 1 Peter 5:1-4

- The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
- Peed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
- <sup>3</sup> Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.
- <sup>4</sup> And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.



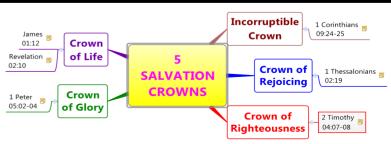


## Incorruptible Crown

#### 1 Corinthians 9:25

And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

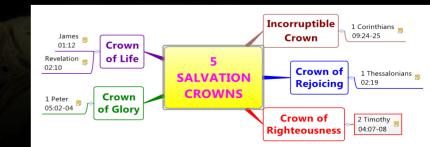




## Crown of Rejoicing

- 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20
- <sup>19</sup> For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?
- <sup>20</sup> For ye are our glory and joy.



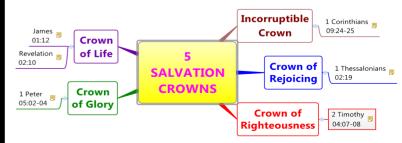


## A crown of righteousness "love his appearing"

#### 2 Timothy 4:1-8

- Preach the word
  - in season, out of season;
  - reprove,
  - rebuke,
  - exhort with all long suffering and doctrine
- 2 Timothy 3:16





#### The Crowns as Rewards for Faithfulness

- The Crown of Incorruption
  - A disciplined Christian life, no compromise
- The Crown of Life
  - Overcoming temptation
- The Crown of Rejoicing
  - Winning souls for Christ
- The Crown of Glory
  - Faithful in ministry
- The Crown of Righteousness
  - Looking for His coming (Sanctified)

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<sup>12</sup>THE ONE WHO **CONQUERS**, I WILL MAKE HIM A PILLAR IN THE TEMPLE OF MY GOD. NEVER SHALL HE GO OUT OF IT, & I WILL WRITE ON HIM THE NAME OF MY GOD THE NEW JERUSALEM, WHICH COMES DOWN FROM MY GOD OUT OF HEAVEN, & MY OWN NEW NAME.





13 HE WHO HAS AN EAR,

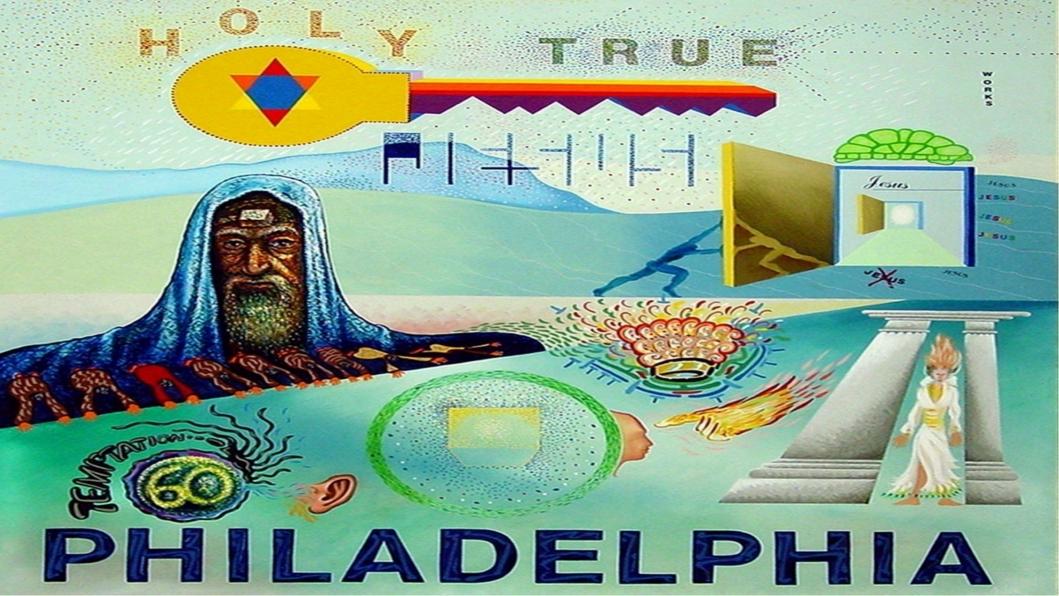
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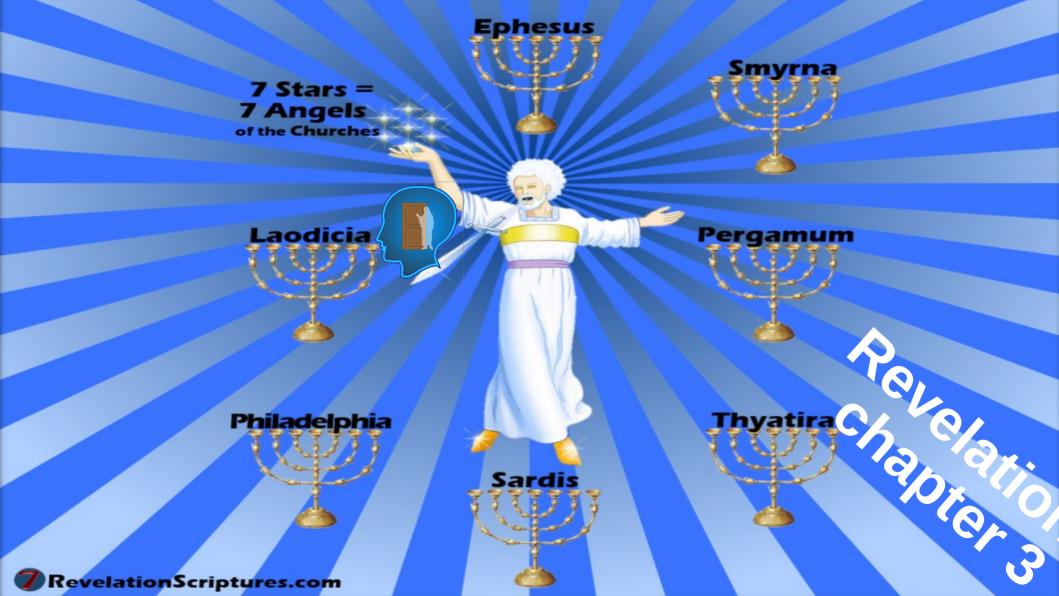
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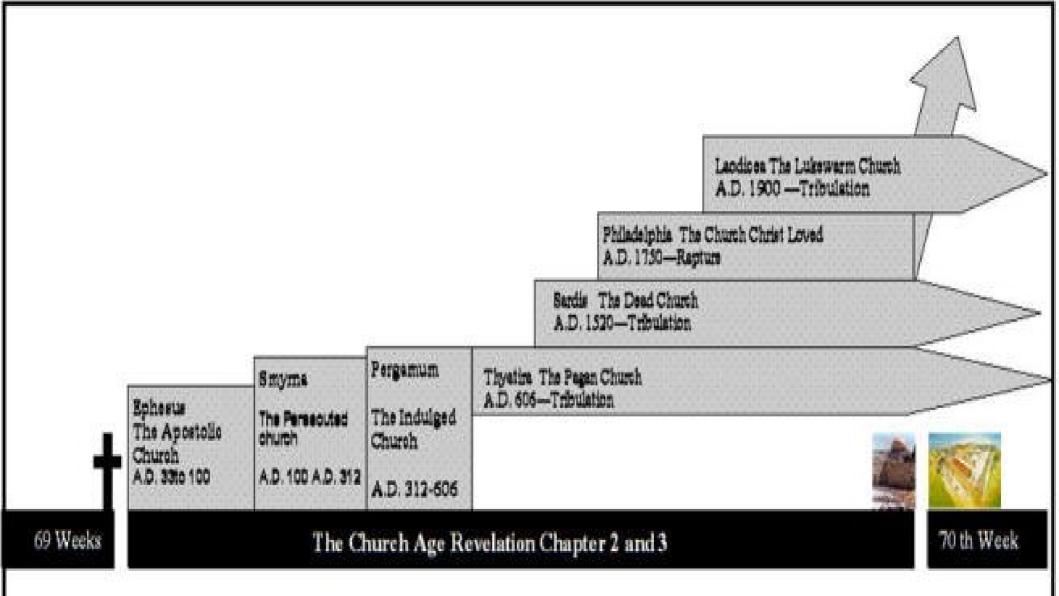
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### THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION

	EPHESUS The Apostolic Church Rev. 2:1-7	SMYRNA The Persecuted Church Rev. 2:8–11	PERGAMUM The Indulged Church Rev. 2:12–17	THYATIRA The Pagan Church Rev. 2:18–29	SARDIS The Dead Church Rev. 3:1-6  A.D. 1520-Tribulation	PHILADELPHIA The Church Christ Loved Rev. 3:7–13	RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH  LAODICEA The Lukewarm Church Rev. 3:14–22  A.D. 1900–Tribulation
COMMENDATION I know your	A.D. 30–100  Good works, labor, patience.  Hated Nicolaitians.	Works, tribulation, poverty.	Works. Held fast my name. Has not denied my faith.	Good works, love, service, faith, patience.	Works. A name that you live.	Works. Missions. Little strength. Kept my word. Not denied my name.	Not one word!
CONDEMNATION	You have left your first love.	Not one word!	You have false teachers of Balaam and the Nicolaitans.	You allow Jezebel to teach idolatry and compromise.	You are dead. Works not complete.	Not one word!	You are lukewarm, wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked.
COUNSEL I counsel you	Remember from where you are fallen and repent.	Fear not. Be faithful.	Repent.	Hold fast what you have until I come.	Watch. Strengthen the things that remain. Remember, hold fast and repent.	Hold fast what you have.	Buy gold tried by fire and white raiment. Anoint your eyes. Be zealous and repent.
CHALLENGE To him that over- comes	Will give to eat of the tree of life	Will not be hurt by the second death.	Will give hidden manna and a white stone.	Will give millennial leadership and the Morning Star.	Will be clothed in white raiment. I will not blot his name out of the book of life.	Will make him a pil- lar and write upon him the name of God and My new name.	Will grant to sit with me on my throne.



#### GENERAL BACKGROUND ON LAODICEA

· Named for the wife of Syria's Antiochus II, Laodice

Means "justice of the people"
Known for its banking, linen/wool industry, as well as its pharmaceutical skills

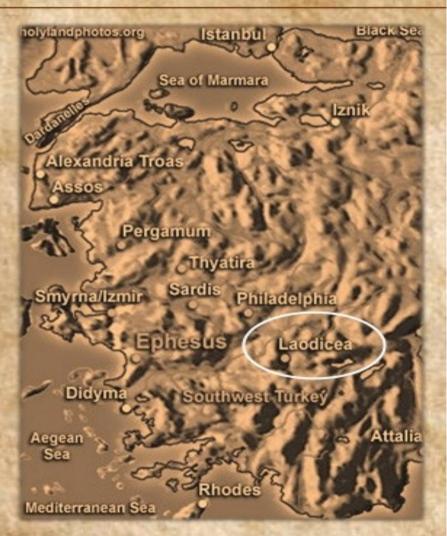
· Very well to do populous

· Tacitus wrote that, after an earthquake, they were able to build themselves back without Rome's help

· Paul evidently wrote a letter to the church (cf. Col. 4:16)

· Now a deserted locale and called by the Turks, "old castle"

Famous for its worship of Zeus, whose likeness was found on the city's coins



#### THE CONDEMNATION

"I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. 'So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth..."

- Laodicea was between Hierapolis and Colossae.
- Hierapolis was known for its hot mineral springs which produced healing properties
- Colossae had a rare cold stream whose waters were very refreshing
- Laodicea built aqueducts to pipe both the hot water from Hierapolis and cold water from Colossae into the city
- However, the hot water cooled down and the cold water warmed up; they both became lukewarm
- The water contained sludge that made it sickening to drink.





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- 14 ¶ And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; 15 I know thy works, that thou art neither
- cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. 16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.



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17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and in-

creased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white

raiment, that thou mayest be rich; and while raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.



him, and he with me.

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salve, that thou mayest see.

- 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
  20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with
- 21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.
- 22 ¶ He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

# LAODICIA



REVELATION 3:14-22

14 "AND TO THE ANGEL OF THE CHURCH
IN LAODICEA WRITE:

THE WORDS OF THE AMEN,

THE FAITHFUL

& TRUE WITNESS,

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YOU ARE NEITHER COLD NOR HOT.

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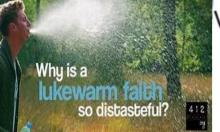
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Paula
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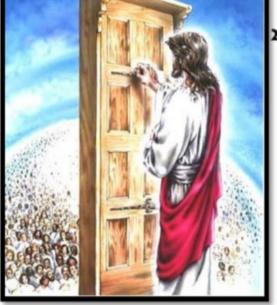
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Unchurched World

(And the rest)





20 BEHOLD, I STAND AT THE DOOR & KNOCK. IF ANYONE **HEARS MY VOICE** & OPENS THE DOOR, I WILL COME IN TO HIM & EAT WITH HIM, & HE WITH ME.

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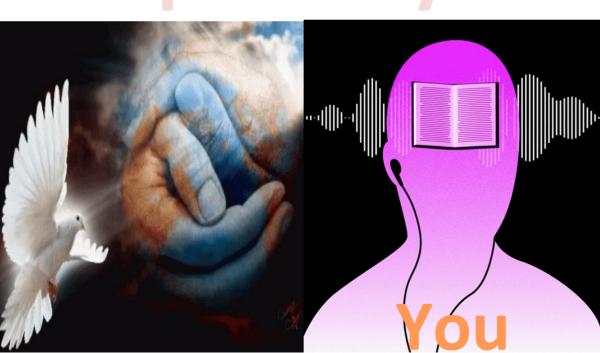
& SAT DOWN WITH MY FATHER ON HIS THRONE.



<sup>22</sup> HE WHO HAS AN EAR,



# Hear what the Spirit says







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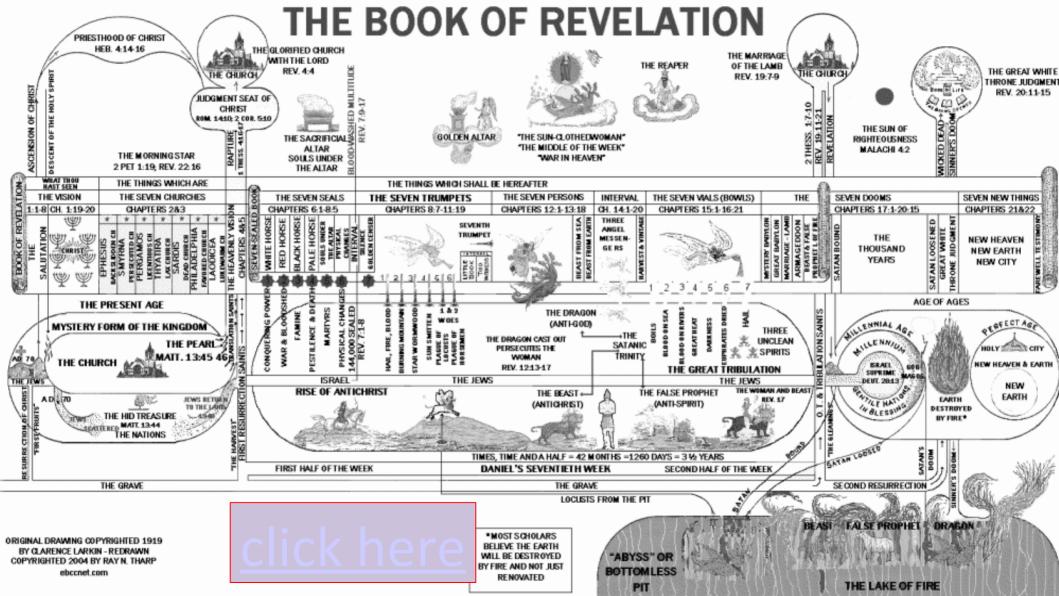
### What Jesus promises to him who overcomes in each of the seven churches:

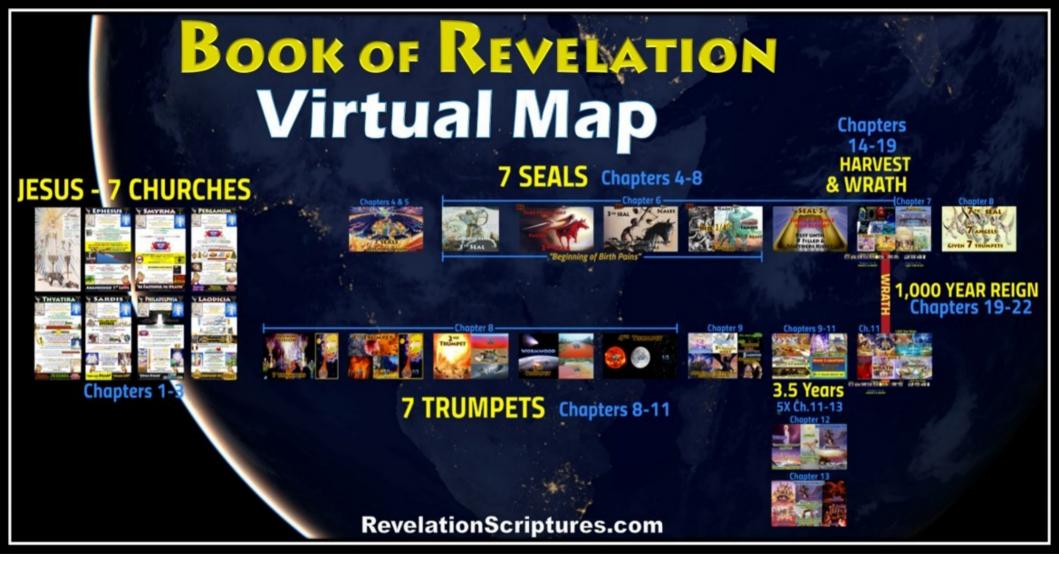


- Ephesus
- «I will give to eat of the tree of life.» (Revelation 2:7)
- 2 Smyrna
- «He (...) shall not be hurt of the second death.» (Rev. 2:11)
- 3 Pergamos
- «I will give to eat of the hidden manna; I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name.» (Rev. 2:17)

  «To him will I give power over the nations. (...) And I will
- 4 Thyatira
- give him the morning star.» (Revelation 2:26,28)

- 5 Sardis
- «He that overcomes shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the Book of Life, but I will confess his name before My Father.» (Rev. 3:5)
- Philadelphia
- «I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, (...) I will write on him the name of My God.» (Revelation 3:12)
- 7 Laodicea
- «To him will I grant to sit with Me in My throne.» (Rev. 3:21)





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The saint obeys the Spírít God The saint is true to his word

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# Where the Modern Day Judgments May Fit



The church before the judgment seat of Christ

2Cor 5:7-10

The throne of God with all the saints and hosts in heaven, and the judgment of the beast Revelation 4

Order of events in Heaven

#### Significant Events on Earth of no Particular Order

Ezekiel 29 Isaiah 17 Isaiah 19 Psalms 83 Jeremiah 49 Fzekiel 38-39 Destruction Destruction Destruction **Invasion and** Destruction of Israel's of Elam, destruction of Damascus of Egypt surrounding part of Iran of Goa countries

These prophetic events may occur independently or in sequence. They may also occur before, during, or following the rapture of the church. Unlike the tribulation that has a fixed beginning with the confirmation of the seven year covenant with Israel, these battles do not have a fixed start time.

The Son of Man given dominion, glory and a kingdom

Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 5 Revealing the man of sin and the world's complete rejection of Christ by the opening of the seven seals

2Thessalonians 2:5-12 Revelation 6, 8:1

Daniel 9:27

The signing of the seven year covenant between the Antichrist and Israel beginning the seven years of tribulation

Gentile Age (Daniel 2:31-45)

**Tribulation Saints (Revelation 6:9-11)**