

Revelation

Chapters 2 & 3 – Letters to the 7 Churches

Revelation – fulfillment of Daniel 7?

Daniel 7

- Four (4) Beast Described
 - Lion
 - Bear
 - Leopard
 - Indescribable
- Dominion over Saints
 - Tread it
 - Break it
 - Wear out the Saints

Revelation 13

- One Beast Described
 - Lion
 - Bear
 - Leopard
- Dominion over Saints
 - Blasphemed Name
 - Blasphemed Tabernacle
 - Makes war with Saints

What's Next?

- Tribulation in the 1st Century
 - Physical, Spiritual
 - Discourage them
 - Wear them down, Wear them out
- Our Tribulation
 - Physical, Spiritual
 - Discourage us
 - Wear us down, Wear us out



ATLANTIC OCEAN



Vladimir

Moscow

RUSSIA

Kiev

Caspian Sea

FRANCE

Milan

Venice



Ravenna



Rome

Nerezi

BALKANS

Skopje

Constantinople



Black Sea

ARMENIA

Ani

Lake Van

PERSIA

CAPPADOCIA

ITALY

MACEDONIA

TURKEY

ASIA MINOR



GREECE

Daphni

Athens

Antioch

SYRIA

Dura-Europos

Beth Zagba

Damascus

GALILEE

JUDAEA

Jerusalem

Bethlehem

CANAAN

Nazareth

PALESTINE

ISRAEL

Dead Sea

Palermo

SICILY

Mediterranean Sea

Alexandria

Cairo

Mount Sinai

EGYPT

Nile River

Red Sea

AFRICA



0 500 miles
0 500 kilometers

Letters to the 7 Churches

- Location of these Churches
 - A Hotbed of persecution in Domitian time
- Why these 7?
 - Historical Churches
 - Representative of all Churches
 - Don't need a letter to the Galatians
- Basics
 - Doxology
 - Positives/Negatives - none are written off
 - Reward – “to him that overcomes...”

Church	Doxology	Positives	Negative	Reward "overcome"
Smyrna	"the first, the last, who was dead and lived again"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Knew their tribulation -Knew their poverty (they were rich) -"Say they are Jews but are not" 		"Faithful until death, I will give the crown of life, he that overcomes will not be hurt by the second death"

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Pergamum	"he that hath the two edged sword"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Holding fast his name in the middle of Satan's throne" -Didn't deny my faith 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Hold teachings of Balaam (stumbling block) -Some hold the teachings of the Nicolaitans <p>Repent...I come Quickly</p>	"I will give the hidden manna and a white stone with a new name"

Church	Doxology	Positives	Negative	Reward "overcome"
Thyatira	<p>"the Son of God, who hath his eyes like a flame of fire and his feet are like burnished brass"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -He knows their works, love ministry and patience -Their last works are more than their first works 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -They suffer the woman Jezebel -Practice her teachings <p>Hold fast till I come</p>	<p>"He that overcomes will receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Authority over nations -The Morning Star"

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Sardis	"he that hath the 7 Spirits of God and the 7 Stars"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Be watchful and established -A few have not defiled their garments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -They are Dead -Not keeping what they had heard or received 	<p>"He that overcomes will be arrayed in white garments, name will not be blotted out of the book of life, I will confess his name before the Father"</p>

Church	Doxology	Positives	Negative	Reward "overcome"
Philly	<p>"he that is holy, true and has the key of David, he that openeth and none shut and he that shutteth and none opens"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -He knows their works -Kept his word and didn't deny his name -He loves them <p>He's Coming Quickly</p>		<p>"He that overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple and I shall write upon him the name of my God"</p>

Church	Doxology	Positives	Negative	Reward "overcome"
Laodicea	"The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Works were lukewarm -As many as I love, I reprove and chasten -Need to be zealous -Need to repent <p>GOD is KNOCKING!!!</p>	"He that overcomes, I will give to him to sit down with me in the throne, as I overcame and sat down with my Father"