

7. As you consider the rewards in store for overcomers, how do they change the way you view and value this world? What steps do you need to take this week to focus less on material things and more on Jesus?

Reflection Questions: What am I doing with what I've learned through the study of these seven churches? What would Jesus praise about my Christian life today? What rebukes would He give me? In what areas of my life am I indistinguishable from the world around me?

How can we pray for one another and our church this week?

Quotes to Ponder

Jesus says, "I know your works!" He does not say, "I know your profession." He does not say, "I know your desires." He does not say, "I know your sincerity," or "your wishes." He says, "I know your works!" Do you know why? Because works prove what a person is doing with his knowledge, with his time, and with his energies.

John W. Ritenbaugh

The question is not whether you will fall in love with Jesus, but whether you will stay in love with Jesus. Jesus will always stay committed to you. That is why you are guaranteed eternal life. The question is how will you keep your commitment to Jesus.

Jim Erwin

It is extremely provocative that every one of the seven churches were surprised: those that thought they were doing well were not. Those that thought they were not doing well, were doing better than they thought.

All of them were exhorted to improve.

Chuck Missler

While we live in trying times, we live with the same sense of confidence our brothers and sisters have lived with for millennia. Death is defeated.

The grave has been robbed of power. Satan stands muzzled. Christ is victorious. His bride is secured. The gospel is still the power of God for salvation. Our weakness is still where Christ's strength is made perfect.

Our suffering is still light and momentary. Our hope is still living. Our future is still bright. Our inheritance is still as sure as the Spirit's sealing presence.

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Revelation 2-3

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*Sermon
Notes*

1. The Author

2. Praises

3. Rebukes

4. Rewards

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you? Encouraged you? Convicted you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

Counsel Jesus provides —

2. Read *Revelation 2 and 3*. Make lists of:
How Jesus describes Himself —

Rewards promised to overcomers —

Commendations Jesus makes —

3. What commendations do you feel apply to you as an individual? To us collectively as a church? Why?

Condemnations Jesus gives —

4. What rebukes do you feel apply to you as an individual? To us collectively as a church? Why?

5. What are some areas that you find it easy to compromise in? Be complacent about? Are you willing to repent of these sins?

6. When you consider Jesus' warnings, what strikes you about His sternness? Why do His warnings prove that He keeps us and not reject us?