

Worksheet: The 7 Churches

Church	Ephesus 2:1-7	Smyrna 2:9-11
Jesus described	Holds 7 stars in his right hand, walks among the 7 golden lampstands (v. 13,16)	The first and the last; who was dead and came to life v. 17,18
Positive	I know your works, patiently endure, can't tolerate evil doers; you tested false apostles; are enduring patiently and bearing up for sake of name; not weary	I know your affliction, poverty – even though you are rich; know the slander from “synagogue of Satan”
Negative	Abandoned the love you had at first	
Instruction (with warning or extra encouragement)	Remember from what you have fallen; repent and do works you did at first; If not – I will remove your lampstand (encouragement) – you hate works of Nicolaitans	Don't fear what you are about to suffer; the devil will throw some of you into prison, for 10 days you'll have affliction; Be faithful unto death and you'll get crown of life
Listen	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches
Promise/Reward	Permission to eat from the tree of life in paradise of God	Not be harmed by the second death

Church	Pergamum 2:12-17	Thyatira 2:18-28
Jesus described	Him who has the sharp 2 edged sword v.16	Son of God, whose eyes like a flame of fire, feet of burnished bronze v.14,15
Positive	You are living where Satan's throne is, yet you hold fast to Jesus' name, didn't deny faith – even when Antipas (faithful witness) was killed	I know your works, faith, service, patient endurance; “last works are greater than your first”
Negative	Some hold to teaching of Balaam – “food sacrificed to idols” and fornication Some hold to teaching of Nicolaitans	You tolerate Jezebel who calls herself a prophet – teaching and beguiling servants to practice fornication, eat food sacrificed to idols – she did not repent of her fornication
Instruction (with warning or extra encouragement)	Repent or I will make war against them with the sword of my (Jesus') mouth	Beware –throwing her on a bed, those who commit adultery with her will be thrown into great distress unless they repent, I will strike her children dead. Christ searches minds and hearts, and each gets what they deserve To the rest: hold steady be faithful; no extra burden
Listen	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches (at the end)
Promise/Reward	Given hidden manna and white stone with new name, secret	Given authority to rule with iron rod (Psalm 2); give the morning star

Church	Sardis 3:1-6	Philadelphia 3:7-13
Jesus described	Him has the 7 spirits of God and the 7 stars v.4,16	The words of the Holy One who has key of David, what he opens no one shuts, what he shuts no one opens v.18 <i>keys of death(?)</i>
Positive	(out of place) – there are still some among you who have not soiled their clothes	I know your works; before them is open door that no one can shut. They have little power, but have kept their word, not denied Christ's name; those of Synagogue of satan will bow at their feet
Negative	Have name of being alive, but are dead	
Instruction (with warning or extra encouragement)	<u>Wake up</u>, <u>strengthen</u> what remains, your works aren't perfect, <u>Remember</u> what you received and heard and <u>Obey</u> it. <u>Repent</u>. If you don't wake up Christ comes like a thief. – <i>positive inserted here</i>	Because you kept word of patient endurance, I will keep you from time of trial – coming soon, hold fast
Listen	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches (at the end)	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches (at the end)
Promise/Reward	You'll be clothed (like them) in white and name won't be blotted out; Jesus confess your name before the father	Make you a pillar in temple, write on them name of God; name of city of God; and Jesus' new name

Church	Laodicea 3:14-22	
Jesus described	The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the origin of God's creation v.5, 17(kind of – first and last...)	
Positive		
Negative	Neither cold nor hot; lukewarm – spit out Say you're rich, but you are poor, pitiable, blind, naked	
Instruction (with warning or extra encouragement)	Buy from Jesus gold refined by fire – be rich Buy white robes to clothe nakedness, salve for your eyes to see. Jesus disciplines those he loves. Repent, be earnest, Listen, Jesus at the door knocking – eat together	
Listen	Anyone with an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the 7 churches (at the end)	
Promise/Reward	Given place with Jesus on throne, just like Jesus conquered and was seated on the throne	

