



GOD'S Plan for His **CHURCH**

REVELATION 2-3

modern day TURKEY



● Ephesus: New York City

● Smyrna: Boston

● Pergamum: Washington DC

● Thyatira: Flint, Michigan

● Sardis: Fort Knox

● Philadelphia: Napa Valley, CA

● Laodicea: Vail, Colorado [\$\$\$]

● Ephesus: You have lost your 1st love

● Smyrna: Don't be afraid to suffer

● Pergamum: Beware of compromise

● Thyatira: Stop tolerating Jezebel!

● Sardis: You're dead & don't know it

● Philadelphia: You're weak but mighty!

● Laodicea: Your wealth won't save you



The Church in Laodicea:

- ~ Self-Sufficient
- ~ Self-Satisfied
- ~ Complacent
- ~ Nominal

**THE
SEVEN
CHURCHES
OF
REVELATION**

The **LUKEWARM** Church

Revelation 3:14-22



Jesus is Faithful & True

Verse 14

- ~ You can trust what He says
- ~ You can trust who He is

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We are Easily Deceived

- v. 17 *What you THINK you are...*
“I am” — “I have” — “I don’t”
- v. 15 *What you REALLY you are...*

- Lukewarm people gauge their “goodness” by comparing themselves to the world. They are satisfied as long as they aren’t as “bad” as the world.
- Lukewarm people think about life on earth much more often than eternity in heaven. Daily life is mostly focused on today’s to-do list, this week’s schedule, and next month’s vacation. Rarely, if ever, do they intently consider the life to come or what God would have them do.
- Lukewarm people say they love Jesus and Jesus is a part of their lives. But only a part. They give Him a section of their time, their money, and their thoughts, but He isn’t allowed to control their lives.



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v. 17 *What you THINK you are...*

v. 15 *What you REALLY you are...*

v. 17 *What you don't REALIZE...*

Wretched

You're in terrible shape

Poor



Pitiful

It breaks my heart!

Blind



Naked



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There is Hope for the Humble

v. 18

“I counsel you to...”



The Choice is Yours

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the
door, I will come in and eat with that
person, and they with me.”

