

## REVELATION 3

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**INTRODUCTION:** We have three churches left to evaluate and to learn from. May the blessed Holy Spirit reveal areas in us that need shoring up as we study together.

### I: SARDIS – THE DYING CHURCH (vs. 1-6)

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ departed (v. 1).
2. Their \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2).
3. The warning to \_\_\_\_\_ what \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2)
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ business (vs. 3-4)
5. Three kinds of church members ...
  - a) The \_\_\_\_\_ man (I Corinthians 2:14)
  - b) The \_\_\_\_\_ man (Romans 8:6-7; I Corinthians 3:3).
  - c) The \_\_\_\_\_ man (Romans 8:6).

### II: PHILADELPHIA – THE CHURCH OF THE OPEN DOOR (vs. 7-13)

1. The open door of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7-8).
2. The open door of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 9-10).
3. An open door to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 11-12).

### III: LAODICIA – THE LUKEWARM CHURCH (vs. 14-22)

1. The position of the \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 15-16).
2. The position of the \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 17-19).
3. The position of \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 20-21).

**CONCLUSION:** Seven times Christ calls the churches to “hear what the Spirit has to say.” When churches stop listening to the voice of the Spirit, they begin to turn away from the truth. We must not .....

- a) Deny the \_\_\_\_\_ (2:23)
- b) We must \_\_\_\_\_ (3:8,10)
- c) We must not \_\_\_\_\_ (3:8)

Martin Luther said: “Before my conversion, had you knocked at the door of my heart and asked who lives there, I would have said, ‘Martin Luther lives here.’ Had you come in to see me, you would have found a monk with his head shaved, sleeping in a hair shirt, under his head two tables of stone, a scourge hanging down by the side of the bed. But now, if you knock at the door of my heart and ask who lives there, I will reply: ‘Martin Luther no longer lives here; Jesus the Lord lives here now.’” (Galatians 2:20)