

REVELATION

LETTERS, LAMPSTANDS AND THE LAMB

Revelation 3:1-6



 **ISTANBUL**

MODERN DAY
TURKEY

Aegean Sea

 **PERGAMUM**

 **THYATIRA**

 **SARDIS**

 **PHILADELPHIA**

SMYRNA

 **EPHESUS**

 **LAODICEA**



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”No city of Asia at that period showed such a melancholy contrast between past splendor and present decay.”

- **Robert Mounce**

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“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people’s bones and all uncleanness.”

Matthew 23:27

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“The appearance [of the Sardis church] is that of a beautifully adorned corpse in a funeral parlor.”

- **GR Beasley-Murray**

Sardis: The Dead Church

And you were dead in the
trespasses and sins...

Ephesians 2:1

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And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses...

Colossians 2:13

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For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23

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And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

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Not every one who says to me,
“Lord, Lord,” shall enter the
kingdom of heaven, but he who
does the will of my Father who is in
heaven.

Matthew 7:21-23

On that day many will say to me,
“Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in
your name, and cast out demons in
your name, and do many mighty
works in your name?”

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And then will I declare to them, “I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.”

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For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

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Are you spiritually dead?

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