



GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

SUNDAY NIGHT SERIES

THE LETTERS TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Ephesus?

Commendation: They rejected evil, they had perseverance and patience.

Criticism: They no longer loved Christ, they were no longer fervent.

Command: Repent, do the first works, He was coming quickly to remove their lamp.

Compensation: The tree of life.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Smyrna?

Commendation: They were gracefully bearing the suffering of persecution.

Criticism: None. They may have been fearful and discouraged by poverty.

Command: Be faithful until death.

Compensation: Receive a crown of life.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Pergamum?

Commendation: Steadfast and held the faith.

Criticism: They tolerated immorality, idolatry, and heresy among the membership.

Command: Repent.

Compensation: They would receive hidden manna, a white stone, and a new name.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Thyatira?

Commendation: They had love, service, faith, and great patience.

Criticism: They tolerated cults, idolatry, and sexual immorality.

Command: Judgment was coming, keep the faith.

Compensation: They would rule over nations and receive the Morning Star.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Sardis?

Commendation: Some kept the faith.

Criticism: They were a dead church.

Command: Repent and strengthen what remains.

Compensation: The faithful would be honored and clothed in white.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Philadelphia?

Commendation: They persevered in the faith.

Criticism: None.

Command: Keep the faith.

Compensation: They would have a place in God's presence, they would have a new name, and see the New Jerusalem.

* What Did Jesus Say to the Church at Laodicea?

Commendation: None.

Criticism: They were not committed, lukewarm, and seemed to be indifferent.

Command: Be zealous and repent.

Compensation: They would share the throne of Jesus Christ.