

## Revelation 3

1. This chapter addresses which Asian churches?
2. Sardis was told, *“you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.”* What did this mean?
3. According to verse 2, even the things that “remained” needed to be \_\_\_\_\_ and were ready to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. What was the Sardis church told to do? (at least those who had sinned)
5. If they refused to repent, Jesus would come upon them “as a thief.” This language is used in other passages to refer to the end of all things (1 Thess. 5:2; 2 Pet. 3:10). What does it refer to here? (for a comparison see Rev. 2:5)
6. Not *all* of the Sardis members had sinned. How are they described?
  - a. Why is Revelation 3:4 sometimes cited against the practice of church discipline?
  - b. While it is true that faithful church members may remain for some time in a sinning church, it is limited by certain principles and conditions. What principle is taught in Revelation 2:21?
  - c. What condition is stipulated in Ephesians 5:11?
7. Like the church at Smyrna, the church at Philadelphia had no judgments pronounced against it. What observation is made about their “strength” or power?

- a. Though the church at Philadelphia was small (either in number or in financial strength), what had God “set before” her?
8. According to verse 9, who persecuted the Philadelphian church?
9. Why would God keep Philadelphia from the coming greater persecution?
10. In what sense was the church at Laodicea “lukewarm?”
  - a. God wished them to be either \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Because they were lukewarm, what would Christ do to them? (16)
11. In what sense was the Laodicean church “wealthy?”
12. In what sense was the Laodicean church “wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked?”
  - a. What was Laodicea told to “buy” and for what purpose?
13. Contrary to popular religious opinion, what does Jesus do to those whom he “loves?”
14. What does Jesus “stand at the door” and do? What does this expression mean?
  - a. What is represented by “dining” together? What implication does this have for 1 Cor. 5:11?