

SERMON TITLE:
"ARE YOU LISTENING!?!"
Part II

TEXT(s):
Revelation Chaps. 2-3

SCRIPTURE

"He who has an,
ear, let him **hear**
what the Spirit says
to the churches."

Revelation 2:7, 11, 17,
29;
3:6, 13, 22:

SCRIPTURE

2:7: Ephesus;
2:11: Smyrna;
2:17: Pergamos;
2:29: Thyatira;
3:6: Sardis;
3:13: Philadelphia;
3:22: Laodicea;

ORIG. SERMONIC PTS.

POINT #1:

CONTEXT

POINT #1:

STRENGTHS

POINT #2:

WEAKNESSES

POINT #3:

PROMISES

SERMON SERIES:

JAN. 06, 2008:

CONTEXT

JAN. 13, 2008:

STRENGTHS

JAN. 20, 2008:

WEAKNESSES

JAN. 27, 2008:

PROMISES

SERMON

POINTS:

**=> Review Last
Sunday's Sermon;**

**=> Address the
Strengths of Each
of the 7 Churches;**

SERMONIC POINT #1 REVIEW OF LAST WEEK

CONTEXTUAL REVIEW:

- > Churches are thought to be on a common road;
- > All addressed to the "Angel of the Church..."

CONTEXTUAL REVIEW:

- > All define a trait of Jesus;
- > All have a distinct adjective/trait for each church

SCRIPTURE

- 2:7: Ephesus (loveless)
- *2:11: Smyrna (persecuted)
- 2:17: Pergamos (compromising)
- 2:29: Thyatira (corrupt)
- 3:6: Sardis (dead)
- *3:13: Philadelphia (faithful)
- 3:22: Laodicea (lukewarm)

SERMON POINTS:

- POINT #1:
WHO IS JOHN
- POINT #2:
WHY JOHN WRITES
- POINT #3:
TO WHOM JOHN WRITES
- POINT #4:
ABOUT WHOM JOHN WRITES

SERMONIC PT.#1

- > Son of Zebedee (James);
- > occupation ~ fisherman;
- > part of the "Holy Troika;"
(Transfig., Passover, etc...);
- > close to Jesus at Passover;
(John 21:20... "whom Jesus loved...")
- > Mary's caretaker/guardian;

SERMONIC PT.#1

- > both your brother and companion in tribulation,
- > and in the Kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ,
- > was on the Island...Patmos;
- > for the word of GOD and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

SERMONIC PT.#2
BECAUSE HE WAS
IN THE (HOLY)
SPIRIT AND JESUS
INSTRUCTS HIM TO
WRITE!!!

SERMONIC PT.#2

"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day..."

Rev. 1:10

SERMONIC PT.#2

"...what you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia:"

Rev. 1:11 & 1:19

SERMONIC PT.#3

- > to Ephesus,
- > to Smyrna,
- > to Pergamos,
- > to Thyatira,
- > to Sardis,
- > to Philadelphia,
- > to Laodicea."

Rev. 1:11

SERMONIC PT.#4
JOHN WRITES
ABOUT JESUS
(The 2nd Person
of the Trinity)!!!

SERMONIC PT.#4
CHARACTERISTICS
& TRAITS OF
JESUS:
JOHN'S
INTERPRETATION

JESUS' OWN WORDS

SERMONIC PT.#4

JOHN'S
INTERPRTN.

REVELATION 1:10:

-> loud voice, as of a trumpet;

SERMONIC PT.#4
JOHN'S
INTERPRTN.

REVELATION 1:13:

-> One like the Son of Man;
-> clothed with a garment...;
-> girded about the chest...;

JOHN'S
INTERPRTN.

REVELATION 1:14:

-> HIS **head & hair**...were
white like wool, *white* as snow;
-> HIS **eyes** were like a flame
of *fire*;

JOHN'S
INTERPRTN.

REVELATION 1:15:

-> HIS **feet** were like fine
brass, as if refined in a furnace;
-> and HIS **voice** as the
sound of many waters;

JOHN'S
INTERPRTN.

REVELATION 1:16:

-> out of HIS **mouth** went a
sharp two-edged sword,
-> HIS **countenance** was
like the sun shining in its
strength;

JESUS' IDENTIFCTN.:

REVELATION 1:8:

- > the Alpha and the Omega;*
- > the Beginning and the End;
- > Who IS...WAS...IS TO COME;
- > the Almighty (Lord GOD);

REVELATION 1:11:

- *-> the First and the Last;

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTIFCTN.:

REVELATION 1:17:

- > I AM the First and the Last;

REVELATION 1:18:

- > I AM HE who lives, and was dead, and behold, I AM alive

forevermore

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTIFCTN.:

REVELATION 1:19:

- > and I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTIFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT EPHESUS:
(REVELATION 2:1)**

- > HE who holds the seven stars in HIS right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lamostand;

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTIFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT SMYRNA:
(REVELATION 2:8)**

- > THE First and THE Last, who was dead, and came to life:

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTIFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT PERGAMOS:
(REVELATION 2:12)**

- > HE who as the sharp two-

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT THYATIRA:
(REVELATION 2:18)**

-> THE SON of GOD, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and HIS feet like fine brass:

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT SARDIS:
(REVELATION 3:1)**

-> HE who has the seven Spirits of GOD and the seven stars:

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTFCTN.:

**CH. AT PHILADELPHIA:
(REVELATION 3:7)**

-> HE who is HOLY, HE who is TRUE, "HE who has the Key of David, HE who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens:"

SERMONIC PT.#4

JESUS'

IDENTFCTN.:

**CHURCH AT LAODICEA:
(REVELATION 3:14)**

-> THE AMEN, the FAITHFUL AND TRUE WITNESS, THE BEGINNING OF THE CREATION OF GOD:

SERMONIC

POINT #2

STRENGTHS

(**"I Know Your Works**):

SERMONIC PT.#2

STRENGTHS

(**"IKYW**):

#1: EPHESUS (2:2-3):

"...labor, patience, & that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles & are...

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#1: EPHESUS (2:2-3):

"... not, and have found them liars; and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for MY name's sake
and have not become weary

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS ("IKYW):

#2: SMYRNA (2:9):

"I know your...tribulation and poverty (but you are rich);"

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#3: PERGAMOS (2:13)

"...you hold fast to MY name, and did not deny MY faith even in the days in which Antipas was MY faithful martyr..."

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#4: THYATIRA (2:19):

"...*love, service, faith, and your patience; and as for your works, the last are more than the first.*"

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#5: SARDIS (3:2):

"...that you have a name (reputation) that you are alive..."

SERMONIC PT.#2
STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#6: PHLDLPHIA. (3:8):

"...for you have a little strength, have kept MY word, and have not denied MY name...kept MY command to persevere."

SERMONIC PT.#2

STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#7: LAODICEA (3:15):

"...that you are neither cold
nor hot."

(lukewarm, placating,
accommodating, etc...)

SYNOPSIS:

- **love, patience** (x2),
- **service, labor** (x2),
- **persevered** (x2),
- **not become weary,**
- **did not deny MY**
faith/name/word (x4).

CONCLUSION

**DO WE
HAVE THESE
TRAITS?!?!**