

SERMON TITLE:
**"ARE YOU
LISTENING!?!"**
Part IV

TEXT(s):
Revelation Chapt. 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;

SERMON SERIES:

JAN. 06, 2008:

CONTEXT

JAN. 13, 2008:

STRENGTHS

JAN. 20, 2008:

WEAKNESSES

JAN. 27, 2008:

PROMISES

**CONTEXTUAL
REVIEW:**

-> *All (7) churches are
thought to be on a common
road;*

-> *All addressed to the
"Angel of the (7) Church..."*

**CONTEXTUAL
REVIEW:**

-> All (7 letters) define a
trait of Jesus;

-> All have a distinct
adjective/trait for each
(of the 7) church(es);

CONTEXTUAL REVIEW:

-> All (7 letters) conclude
with a promise of blessing
if the believer
"OVERCOMES!!!"

SERMON POINTS FROM JAN. 06th:

WHO IS JOHN?
WHY JOHN WRITES?
TO WHOM JOHN WRITES?
ABOUT WHOM JOHN WRITES?

SERMON POINTS FROM JAN. 06TH:

-> Son of Zebedee (James);
-> close to Jesus at Passover;
(John 21:20... "whom Jesus loved...")
-> Mary's caretaker/guardian;
-> was on the Island...Patmos;

SERMON POINTS FROM JAN. 06TH: BECAUSE HE WAS IN THE (HOLY) SPIRIT AND JESUS INSTRUCTS HIM TO WRITE!!!

(Rev.1:10,11,19)

SERMON POINTS FROM JAN. 06TH:

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)
Rev. 1:11

SERMON POINTS FROM JAN. 06TH: JOHN WRITES ABOUT JESUS (The 2nd Person of the Trinity)!!!

**SERMON POINTS
FROM JAN. 06TH:
CHARACTERISTICS &
TRAITS OF JESUS:
JOHN'S WORDS
JESUS' OWN WORDS**

**JESUS' IDENTIFICATION:
REVELATION 1:8 &
1:11:**

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

**SERMON POINT
FROM JAN. 06th:
JESUS' IDENTIFICATION:
REVELATION 1:17-19:**

- > I AM the First and the Last;
- > I AM HE who lives & was dead, & behold, I AM alive forevermore.
- > have keys of Hades & Death.

**SERMON
POINTS - 1/13
STRENGTHS
("I Know Your Works):**

**SERMONIC
POINTS - 1/20:
FLAWS
("NEVERTHELESS
I Have This Against You):**

**POINT FROM 1/13:
STRENGTHS ("IKYW):**

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

- "...labor, patience, & that you cannot bear those who are evil.
- "...have persevered ...have patience...have labored...have not become weary.

POINT FROM 1/20:

FLAWS ("IHTAY"):

#1: EPHEBUS (2:4-5):

"NEVERTHELESS...that you have left your FIRST LOVE. Remember therefore from where you have fallen;"

POINT FROM 1/13:

STRENGTHS ("IKYW):

#2: SMYRNA (2:9):

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

POINT FROM 1/20:

***FLAW(S):**

#2: SMYRNA (2:10):

"Do not fear any of those things which you...suffer...devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested...be faithful until death..."

POINT FROM 1/13:

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..."

POINT FROM 1/20:

***FLAWS ("IHAFTAY"):**

#3: PERGAMS (2:14-16)

"...hold DOCTRINE of Balaam ...also those who hold the DOCTRINE of...Nicolaitans, which I hate. REPENT, or else "

POINT FROM 1/13:

STRENGTHS

("IKYW):

#4: THYATIRA (2:19):

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

POINT FROM 1/20:

FLAWS ("IHTAY"):

#4: THYATIRA (2:20-23)

*"NEVERTHELESS...you allow
...**Jezebel**...to teach and
beguile MY servants...I will cast
her into a sickbed..."*

**POINT FROM 1/13:
STRENGTHS**

("IKYW):

#5: SARDIS (3:1):

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

POINT FROM 1/20:

***FLAW(S):**

#5: SARDIS (3:2):

"Be watchful...strengthen the
things which remain, that are
ready to die...have not found
your works perfect before
GOD."

**POINT FROM 1/13:
STRENGTHS**

("IKYW):

#6: PHLDLPHIA. (3:8):

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

POINT FROM 1/20:

***FLAW(S):**

#6: PHLDLPHIA. (3:9):

"...I will make those of the
synagogue of Satan, *who say
they are Jews and are not, but
lie*...worship before your feet..."

**POINT FROM 1/13:
STRENGTHS**

("IKYW):

#7: LAODICEA (3:15):

"...that you are neither cold
nor hot."
(lukewarm, placating,
accommodating, etc...)

POINT FROM 1/20:

FLAW(S):

#7: LAODICEA (3:15-16)

"I could wish you were cold or hot...because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew you out of MY mouth."

#7: LAODICEA (3:17):

"Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing' - **and do not know** that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked-"

#7: LAODICEA (3:18):

"I counsel you to buy from ME ***gold*** refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white ***garments***, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed;"

#7: LAODICEA (3:18-19)

"and anoint your ***eyes*** with eye salve, that you may see.

As many as I ***LOVE***, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent."

SUMMARY -

JAN. 06TH

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

SUMMARY - 1/20:

- E. infidelity/affinity;**
- S. blasphemy** (...Jews...are not...");
- S. poverty**
- misperception;**
- S. fear of persecution;**
- P. false doctrine** (*Balaam/Nicoltns*);

SUMMARY - 1/20:

T. idolatry;
T. sexual immorality;
S. warning (...if you will not...");
P. identify the liars;
L. lethargic/status quo;
L. materialistic;

SUMMARY - 1/20:

• **REPENTANCE ISSUE:**
E "*Repent...or else...*"
P "*Repent, or else...*"
T "*unless they repent...*"
S "*hold fast and repent.*"
L "...zealous and
repent."

SUMMARY - 1/20:

• **COUNSEL:**
"I counsel you to..."

• **CHASTEN:**
"As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten."

SERMON NOTES FOR TODAY - JAN. 27TH:

Revelation 22:12:

"And behold, I am coming quickly, and MY reward is with ME, to give to every one according to his work."

POINT FROM 1/27:

PROMISE ("THWO"):

#1: EPHESUS (2:7):

"OVERCOMES...I will give to eat from the tree of life which is in the midst of the Paradise of GOD."

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#2: SMYRNA (2:11):
"OVERCOMES...shall not be hurt by the second death."**

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#3: PERGAMS (2:17)
"OVERCOMES...I will give some of the hidden manna to eat...a white stone...a new name which no one knows..."**

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#4: THYATIRA (2:26,28)
"OVERCOMES...give power over nations...as I also received from MY Father...give him the morning star."**

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#5: SARDIS (3:5):
"OVERCOMES...clothed in white garments...will NOT blot out his name from the Book of Life...will confess his name before MY FATHER...angels."**

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#6: PHILADELPHIA. (3:12):
"OVERCOMES...will make him a pillar in the temple of MY GOD...write on him the Name of GOD, the New Jerusalem...MY new name."**

**POINT FROM 1/27:
PROMISE ("THWO"):
#7: LAODICEA (3:21)
"OVERCOMES...will grant to sit with ME on MY throne, as I also overcame and sat down with MY FATHER on HIS throne."**

E. eat from tree of life;
S. not hurt by 2nd
death;

P.

manna...stone...name; T.
power...morning star;
S. clothed...BOL... name;
P. pillar...names (GOD/new) ;
I. sit on Jesus' throne .

CONCLUSION

Not about your
outward activity!

It's about your
inward mentality!

**CONCLUSION
ARE WE
LISTENING
?!?!**

**MLK NOTES:
(DO NOT SHOW)
BIGOTRY
POVERTY
INEQUALITY**