

Revealing Revelations

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently,
I will also keep you from the hour of trial
that is going to come on the whole world
to test the inhabitants of the earth"
~Revelation 3:10

Revelation Ch. 3 & 4: "Love Letters to the Seven Churches" (Part 2)

Opening Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for bringing us together in your name.

Bless our time together as we seek to be more like the image of Christ.

We know that your word is trustworthy and true. Open our hearts and minds to the wisdom of your word. Let your truth guide our thoughts, words and actions daily so that we can share it with those we encounter. We ask these things in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Study Guide Group Questions: Revelation Ch. 3 & 4

1) Do you notice anything different about the Church in Sardis as compared to the first four churches? Think of the pattern that Christ uses in these letters and see if you can tell what's missing with this one.

2) Which of these last three churches in chapter 3 did Christ find no fault?

3) Where does the "open door" lead that Christ mentions to the Church of Philadelphia in verse 8?
4) What specific event is Christ referring to in chapter 3 verse 10?
5) What is the meaning of the symbolism Christ uses in verse chapter 3 verse 18, "I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich?"

6) What are the incentives that Christ offers these last three churches in order for them to repent and heed his warning about their faults and falling away from sound doctrine?

Closing Prayer

May the LORD bless us and keep us.

May the LORD make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us.

May the LORD lift up His countenance towards us and give us His peace,

The kind of peace that can only come from the Prince of Peace,

Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.