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**SARDIS | SLEEPY & DEAD CHURCH**





## Sardis | Sleepy & Dead Church

*"To the angel of the church in Sardis write: He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars, says this: "I know your deeds, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen the things that remain, which were about to die; for I have not found your deeds completed in the sight of My God. So remember what you have received and heard; and keep it, and repent. Therefore if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you. But you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their garments; and they will walk with Me in white, for they are worthy. He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." ' "*

**Revelation 3:1-6**





# SARDIS

## **SARDIS | PRINCE OF JOY**



**In the church of Sardis, “Protestantism” is the primary force of power; whereas, in the church of Thyatira, the Roman papacy was in full rule. These churches overlap each other to this very day. The Reformation was certainly used by God to bridge the gap between the Roman ruled church and the Free Church. In many respects, the Reformation brought the True Church back to its original position and condition.**

# modern day TURKEY

Pergamos

Thyatira

Smyrna

Sardis

Ephesus

Philadelphia



The city of Sardis is about 27 miles south of Thyatira. It was the capital of the Kingdom of Lydia.



# **CITY OF PRIDE**

## **CHRISTIANS FELL ASLEEP**

Once Cyrus conquered Sardis, the Lydian empire came to an end. This once proud and central city became no more. History books tell us that by AD 1850, not one person was found living in Sardis; thus, the new city of Sart was founded. Not only were the Christians “dead,” the entire community died.



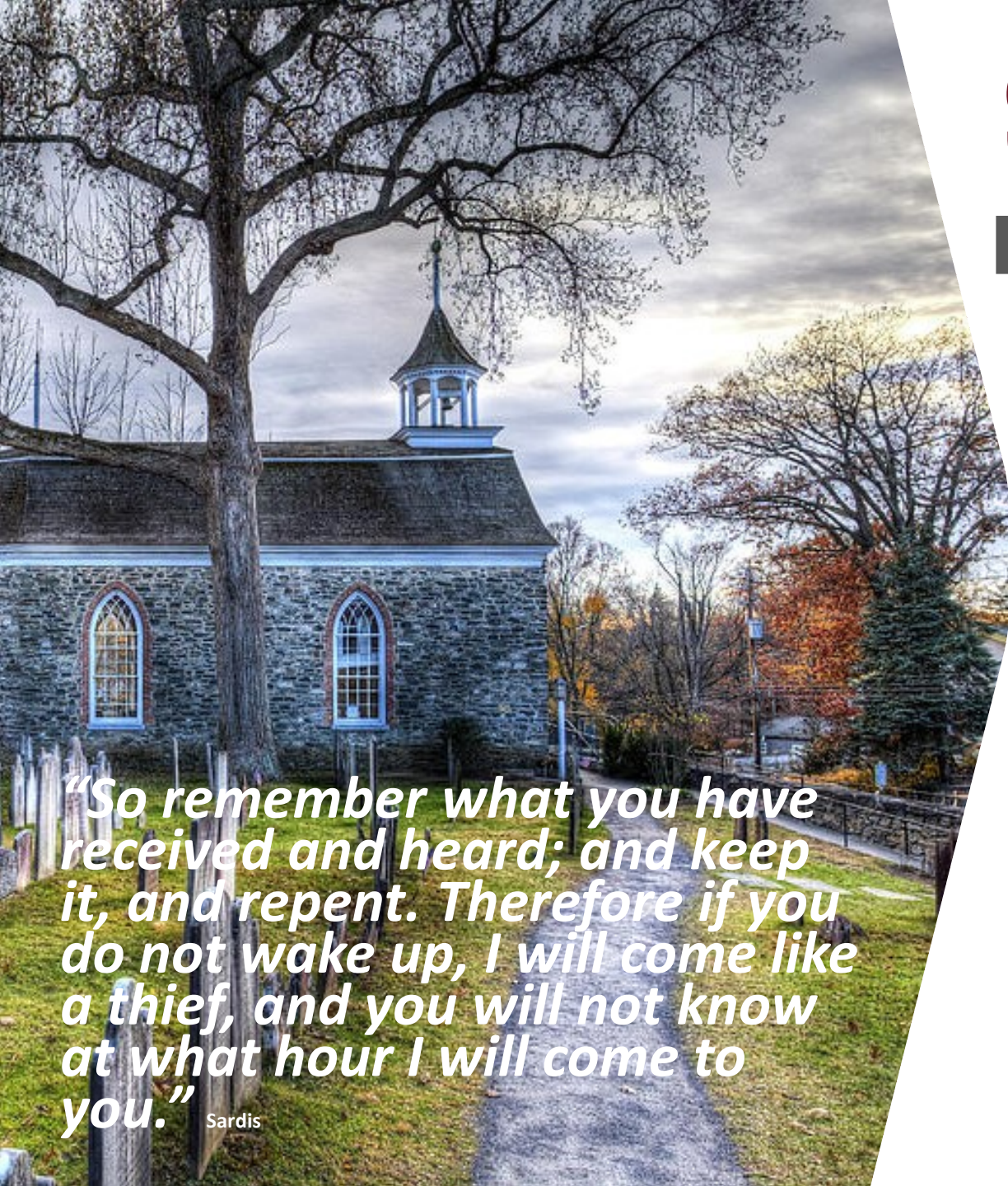
# THE SEVEN SPIRITS

## HEAVENLY MEDIATORS

- † **One Spirit or Seven**, which is it?
- † **Fullness is in the Spirit** – 7-spirits fulfil fullness
- † **Seven stars** – points of light to local assemblies
- † **Seven churches** – assigned specific ministries
- † **Sardis** - faked being alive
- † **Sardis looks much like** - the American church
- † **The Reformation** – put fire back into the sleepy church
- † **While the church sleeps** – Satan does not
- † **“Protestantism” produced** – spiritual lethargy
- † **Christ mandate was/is** – to wake up (**Rev. 3:2**)
- † **Waiting for the Groom** – will they be ready?







*“So remember what you have received and heard; and keep it, and repent. Therefore if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you.”*

Sardis

# **SARDIS IS PASSIVE**

## **PLACES THE BURDEN ON OTHERS**

The Lord is asking this church to remember what you have received, hold on to it, and repent of all attitudes or actions that produce death in the soul. The commission here is if they do not, He will come in a moment's notice to gather only the True believers within this church. Those that did not wake up will not be part of such a rescue. The truth being revealed here is the Christians of slumber are not actual Christians but are those who live off the Christianity of other Christians. The number will be great!.



# **THE FAITHFUL FEW**

## **WHO RESIST ECUMENICALISM**

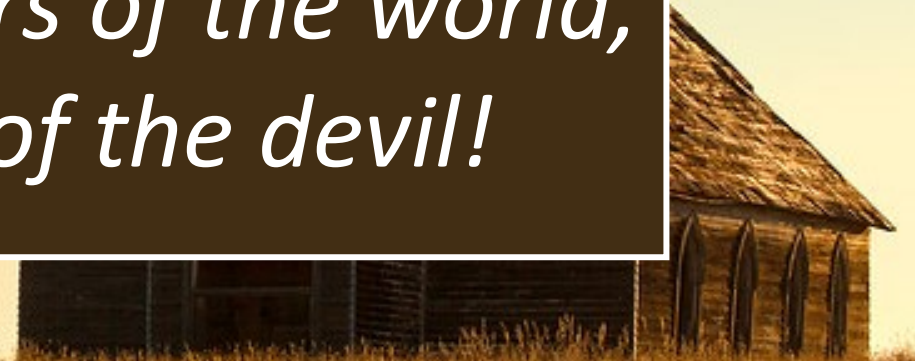
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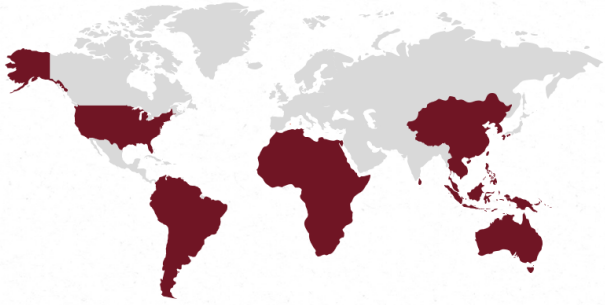
- † **The faithful few** - avoid the church of antichrist
- † **Overcomers will wear** – white robes, garments of praise
- † **The great mystery** – Judas Iscariot
- † **End times** – purifies the children of God
- † **The difference between salvation** – and reward
- † **Becoming** – Bridal members in Christ





*It's not too late to repent of our deadness!  
We can be made alive in Christ Jesus. Only a  
faithful few of the entire assembly of Sardis  
were overcomers. Let us be some of those  
faithful few who are overcomers of the world,  
the flesh, and the schemes of the devil!*

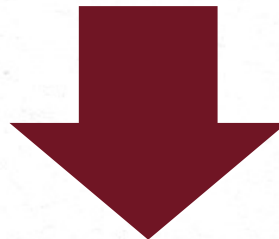




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