The SEVEN CHURCHES: The "Final Four"

Chapters 2-3 Pastor Gordon Rumble

One of the great lessons of the Churches is that Christ continues to bless them with His presence. "Where 2 or 3 are gathered in my name." The key? TOGETHER! Not ISOLATED! 😊 The Christian life is about Community with Him and his "sheep."

There is a FOUR-FOLD message to nearly all the Churches:

1. Positive _____
2. Corrective _____
3. Eternal _____
4. Partial _____

A. The Church at **THYATIRA** 600 AD – 1,500 AD "False Church"

1. Compliment 18-19 _____
2. Complaint: 20-23 _____
3. Counsel/Judgment 22-23 _____

B. The Church at **SARDIS** 1200-1600 AD "Blacklined Church"

1. Reputation 3:1-2 _____
2. Reformation 3: 2-3 _____

Verse 4-5 mentions that not all were DEAD.

C. Church at **PHILADELPHIA** "Weak yet Wonderful" 1700-today

1. Compliment: 7-8 _____
2. No condemnation! The Rapture Verses 10-12

D. The Church at **LAODICEA** Now into the Tribulation Period

The "Apostate Church"

1. No Compliment much.... _____
2. Condemnation: 14-17 _____
3. Repent or Else! Verse 19

The CHALLENGE & INVITATION! 20-22

Hear Him! Go to Him! Eat with Him! Sit down with Him!

TABLE DISCUSSION :Are we listening to Him? How and when?

Are we going to Him? How and where?

Are we Dining with Him? How and what?