

“SARDIS: THE CHURCH THAT DIED AND DIDN’T KNOW IT”

Revelation 3:1-6

I. THE STRONG REBUKE FOR THE SARDIS CHURCH (1)

A. The Pastor’s Receipt Of The Scripture (1a)

“And unto the angel of the church in Sardis”

B. The Powerful Revelation Of The Saviour (1b-1c)

1. His Possession Of The Seven Spirits (1b)

“write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God,”

2. His Possession Of The Seven Stars (1c) “and the seven stars;”

C. The Personal Rebuke Of Sardis (1d-1g)

1. The Holy Perception Of The Church (1d) [Deeds]

“I know thy works,”

2. The Hypocritical Profession Of The Church (1e-1f)

[Delusion]

a. The Recognition Of Their Name (1e)

“that thou hast a name”

b. The Reputation In Their Name (1f)

“that thou livest,”

3. The Honest Pronouncement About The Church (1g)

“and art dead.” *[Deadness]*

II. THE SIMPLE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SARDIS CHURCH (Vs 2-3)

A. The Work God Requires (2)

1. Jesus Demands A Required Watchfulness By The Church (2a) “Be watchful,”

2. Jesus Described A Restoration Work For The Church (2b-2c)

a. The Strengthening Of The Things Which

Remain (2b) “and strengthen the things which remain,”

b. The Status Of The Things Which Remain (2c)

“that are ready to die:”