

Turn on the
Recorder



Logos Class

Book of Revelation- Ch 3C

June 29, 2025

Rooms 123/124 New Building

Class Schedule for the next few weeks

- ✓ *May 25, 2025 – Revelation- Ch 1B*
- ✓ *June 1, 2025 – Revelation Ch 2A – Ephesus*
- ✓ *June 8, 2025 – Revelation Ch 2B*
- ✓ *June 15, 2025 – Revelation Ch 2C & 3A*
- ✓ *June 22, 2025 – Revelation Ch 3B*
- ✓ *June 29, 2025 – Revelation Ch 3C*
- *July 6, 2025 – Revelation Ch 4 – Things to come*

Quick Update ...ICYMI

Middle East

- *The ceasefire between Iran and Israel seems to be holding*
- *It appears that the Iranian Nuclear program has been set back many years, if it is recoverable at all.*
- *Major new additions to the Abraham Accords in the short-term future*
- *Possible treaty with Iran, but it is too soon to know if it is just another game by them*
- *Lebanon is trying to get Hezbollah out of the country*
- *Syria is a wildcard*

US/World

- *Continuation of the roundup of Illegal Alien criminals*
- *In addition to watching for Iranians in the country illegally*
- *Summer of anarchy continues but the DOJ has taken action to arrest and imprison violent protesters*

Prophetic Implications

- Ezekiel's war of Gog and Magog

- This is not here yet, but we are told in Ezekiel 38:11 that the invaders will say...

You will say, "I will invade a land of unwalled villages; I will attack a peaceful and unsuspecting people—all of them living without walls and without gates and bars.

- **Q:** *Could this coming time of peace be the interlude to a future alliance where Iran and others bank together to take oil and gas, and resources from Israel? Only time will tell, but it is amazing that God has orchestrated all the happenings in the Middle East and will continue to do so until His plan and prophecy are fulfilled.*

Those who have ears, listen and understand what God has pre-told us that must happen.

Israel is the key timepiece and countdown clock for the End Times

Revelation – How the Book of Revelation Unfolds- 1

The book of Revelation presents Jesus Christ in 3 areas:

His Person, His Power, His Program

*This unfolds in **5 Parts:***

*Part 1: **Rev 1-3 - Jesus and His Church***

- ✓ *Introductions 1:1-8*
- ✓ *Unexpected Meeting 1:9-20*
- ✓ *Introduction to the Church*
- ✓ ***Love Letters to the 7 churches (several lessons) **Finish today*****

*Part 2: **Rev 4-5 – Journey to Heaven***

Heaven's Open Door- Ch 4

Lion and Lamb – Ch 5

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Part 3 – The Judgments of the Lamb – Rev 6-18

The lamb opens the seals – Ch 6

First interlude – Ch 7

The Trumpets sound – Chapters 8-9

Second Interlude – Part 1 -John eats the book – Ch 10

Second Interlude – Part 2 – Two witnesses

Third Interlude – Part 1 – The Invisible War – Ch 12

Third Interlude – Part 2 – Antichrist comes to power – Ch 13

Third Interlude – Part 3 – Preview of things to come – Ch 14

A Song for the End – Ch 15

The Pouring of the Bowls – Ch 16

The Fall of Babylon – Ch 17-18

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Part 4 – The Reign of the King – Rev 19-20

The Return of the King – Ch 19

Wrapping Things Up – Ch 20

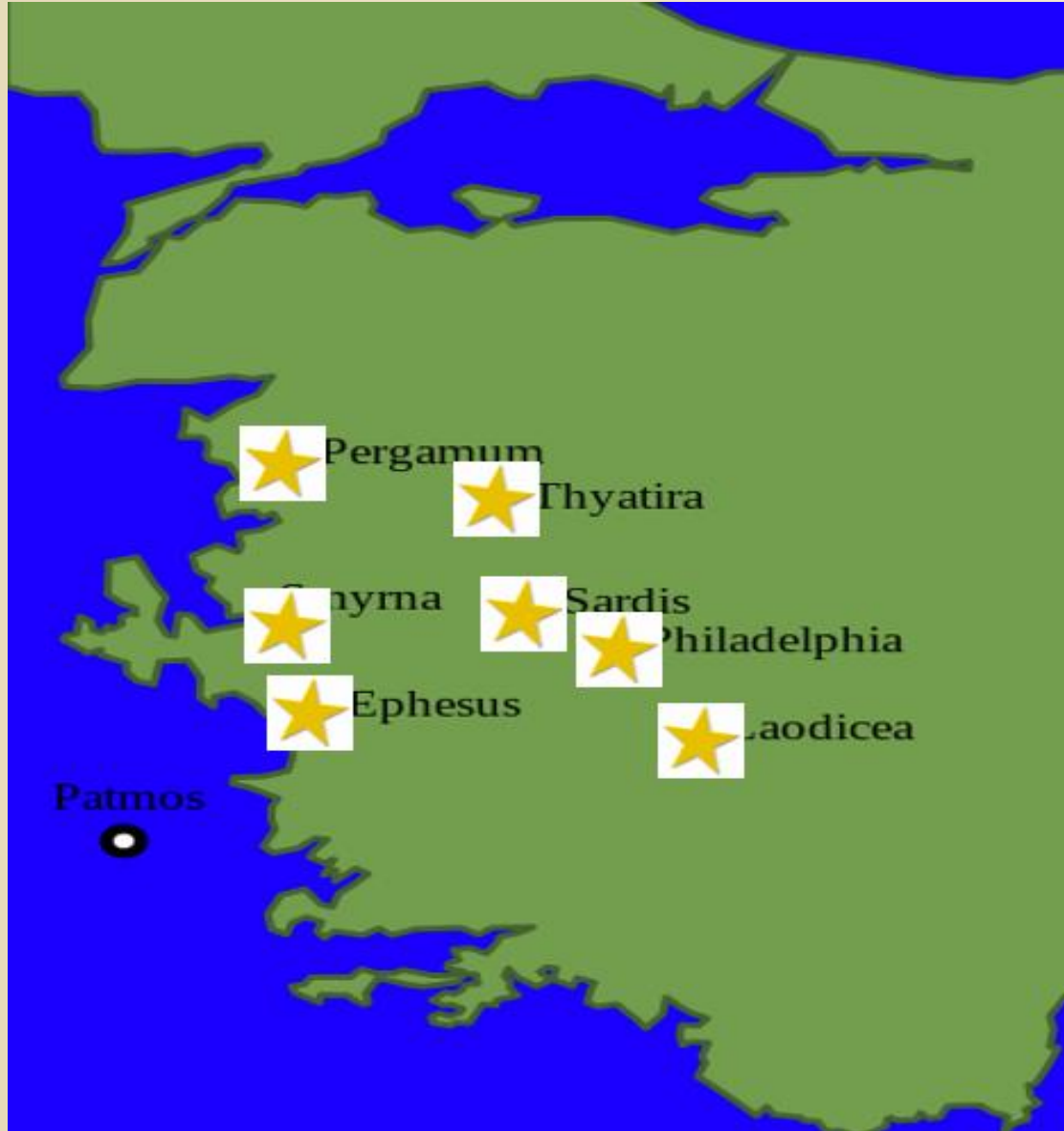
Part 5: Eternity – Rev 21-22

All things new – Ch 21-22:5

Even So...Come – Ch 22:6-21

Maranatha!!

Revelation Ch 2 – The 7 Churches of Revelation



Seven Churches in Asia Minor

- *They were alive and well when Revelation was written*
- *All in Modern Day Turkey*
- *All Ruins today*
- *John was established in Ephesus*
- *Made circuit trips to each church periodically as the only Disciple left*
- *Many people believe they represent the church for all time, and in every age.*
- *Some believe they are **stages of the church***
- *There were many other churches in the area*

Seven Church Era's Associated with Revelation Churches

The Seven Churches of Revelation are often interpreted to represent different periods in church history. These periods are:

- ✓ *Ephesus (Apostolic Church, 30-100 A.D.),*
- ✓ *Smyrna (Martyr Church, 100-313 A.D.),*
- ✓ *Pergamon (Church-State Union, 313-590 A.D.),*
- ✓ *Thyatira (Middle Ages, 590-1517 A.D.),*
- ✓ *Sardis (Protestant Reformation, 1517-1750 A.D.),*
- ✓ *Philadelphia (Revival Church, 1750-1900 A.D.), and finally*
- ✓ ***Laodicea (Worldly Church, 1900-Rapture).***

Laodicea – The final church of the 7 churches

- *Let's watch a short [video](#) on Laodicea.*
- *Founded in the middle of the 3rd century, circa 250BC, by **Antiochus II**, and named after his wife, **Laodice***
- ***Laodicea** is a hard name to translate, but it seems to mean “**People of Common Justice**” from the two words that make up the name.*
- *It became wealthy through the production of wool cloth, and in 60 AD, it was destroyed by an earthquake; however, it was able to rebuild without any help from Rome.*
- *Their economic wealth and stability seemingly lulled them into a sense of apathy to the great spiritual issues of the day.*
- *It is called the “Lukewarm” church, apathetic, and never taking a stand on the Biblical principles of the Bible*
- *Many people believe this is the style of church that will be the dominant church “type” when the Lord returns for His Bride*

Laodicea...the Lukewarm Church



Revelation Ch 3:14-17 To the Church in Laodicea

14 “To the angel of the church in **Laodicea** write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God’s creation.

15 I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!

16 So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

17 You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked.

Revelation Ch 3:18-22. *What's the Result?*

18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear so that you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

19 Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent.

20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

21 To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.

22 Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Rev 3:14 The Attribute from Christ for Laodicea

14 “To the **angel** of the church in **Laodicea** write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler/beginning of God’s creation.

- **Words of the Amen** – This is God of all that is “so” telling them in his Logos (word of God)*
- **The Faithful and True Witness** – The Lord is both faithful to the Father, and True, or all that is right, and is a witness to it all. This is especially important to this church, which is neither true nor faithful*
- **The ruler/beginning of God’s Creation** – Christ was there before Creation, and we know He is the Creator God. He not only created all that was created, but He also rules over it*

Revelation 3:15-16 *I Know Your Deeds*

15 I know your deeds; you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!

16 So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

I know your deeds – You are apathetic to it all, neither hot with fire, nor cold with anger against it...You are lukewarm, and Christ is about to spit them out of His mouth. Certainly, a metaphor for His dislike for their indifference to the things of God.

The hardest people to witness to are those who believe that they already have what they need (wealth, church, beliefs, or formality) and do not believe they need anything.

They are the ones who we see in the world today

Rev 3:17

Too Rich to Care

17 You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked.

*The Lord tells them like it is...**they think they have it all**, but they are poor, naked, blind, and wretched in the Lord's eyes. Who do we want to please? Man, or God? We see this also in culturally relevant churches that strive for acceptance from Man and not God.*

Tolerance, not Biblical Standards with love

Lord, forgive them for they know not what they do...for over 2000 years mankind has had the time to understand, and heed the word of God, and so many have refused to change...or even listen to the God of the Universe. But there is a warning...

Rev 3:18-19. *The Way to Fix the Problem*

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19 Those whom I love, I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent.

*Those that God loves are **rebuked** and **disciplined**. So, do you ever feel like God is disciplining you? If He is disciplining you, it means He loves you; otherwise, He would just let you head down the path of sin. These are church people He is talking to, so there is also rebuke.*

***Buy Gold that has been refined in the fire from Him** so you can supply your real needs, clothes, wealth, and salve. Laodicea was a medical center of eye health, making a salve for the eyes used in the entire Roman Empire. This gold is not physical, but spiritual...wisdom refined with experience. It cannot be bought with their money, but comes from God alone*

***They are famous for black wool, but the Lord tells them they must be clothed in White** to represent purity and holiness before him.*

***Be Earnest and Repent** – Sincerely repent with true earnestness*

Rev Ch 3:20 *Knock Knock...Who's there?*

20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

I've told you to buy from me that which you cannot buy with your wealth, and I am here, at the door, knocking and speaking.

Do you hear me? Will you open the door? If you do, I will come in and fellowship with you and eat with you (be deeply involved with your situation). This is plain and clear. God initiates, and we must respond.

Rev Ch 3:21-22 *With Victory comes blessings*

21 To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.

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As in other churches, the ones who overcome and are victorious by doing what I have recommended will be blessed. Christ was an overcomer and was seated at the right hand of God. Likewise, if we are overcomers, we can sit with Christ on His throne.

Even in the lukewarm churches that side with culture, there is a remnant who will repent and change their ways and be rewarded.

*If God is rebuking and disciplining you, there is hope for redemption and being a vital part of His Kingdom to come. **Whoever has ears...***

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The progression

- *The Church starts out on fire for God, neither persecution or poverty will dampen the spirit*
- *It becomes content to follow the “list of rules” and does not take active witnessing or discipling as an important task*
- *As persecution continues, the church is represented as a group of faithful martyrs who will die on the hill of belief in Christ, if needed*
- *As persecution morphs into acceptance, the church accepts new believers who really don't believe, and the formalism starts to take root until it predominates all the church activities and beliefs*
- *As time passes, the darkness and lack of the Spirit take over until a time of re-awakening occurs, which leads to new understandings and rekindled Spirit and fervor*
- *The strong reformers evangelize and produce a wealth of new believers who are motivated to preach, teach, and disciple...following the Word of the Lord*
- *And finally, generations grow used to wealth, and lack of persecution, and become so comfortable with their situation that they no longer feel they need the Lord or His Salvation...**I'm good, but thanks! Apostasy and Indifference dominate***

What's next?

Now that John has written to the churches that existed in that day, and presented Christ as what was, and what is..., we move into the part of Revelation that describes John moving to Heaven to describe what will happen in the Future.

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Next week

- *Come back tonight for **Celebrate Freedom***
- *Next week, read Chapters 4 and 5*
- ***Pray for our country and our leaders***
- ***Pray for Georgia, and our Leaders***
- ***Pray for our church and leaders, and that our new facilities will be the lampstand that holds the light of Christ high for all to see.***
- ***Pray for Israel and the Peace of Jerusalem***
- ***Pray for each other and encourage each other***
- ***Pray for a great awakening to continue across the world and in the US in preparation for the things to come***
- ***Pray for the Nations, as the world closes in on the prophetic movement of the end times, as it marches to God's timetable***
- ***Be thankful and grateful for all the Lord has done and is doing.***