

| Names of the Churches | Commendations | Reproofs | Warning | Parallel Parable Matt.13 | Historical Period Represented (App) | Equivalent Modern Day Church | Promises to Overcomers | |
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| Ephesus Rev. 2:1-7 "desired" The loveless church. | Good works, patience, sound doctrine, church discipline, and hatred of evil. | Left first love, and backslidden in heart. | Removal of the lampstand | Sower and seed. | Late apostolic age. Pentecost--100AD | Active churches , overemphasizing orthodoxy, but lacking spiritual fervor and love for Christ. | Access to the tree of Life in paradise. | Consecutive |
| Smyrna Rev. 2:8-11 "myrrh" The persecuted church. | Spiritual endurance in afflictions and sufferings. Poor yet rich. | No reproof. | None. | Wheat and tares. | The early centuries of persecution. 100AD--313AD 10th & last persecution under Diocletian .Lasted 10 years. | Missionary and other churches enduring persecution. | A crown of life, evasion of the 2nd death(the lake of fire). | Consecutive |
| Pergamum Rev. 2:12-17 " citadel" or "2x married" The compromising church. | Perseverance in the midst of evil environment. | Tolerance of wrong doctrines and heretics. | Warfare against the church with the sword of Christ. | Abnormal mustard tree. | The age of Constantine. 313AD--590AD(?) Papacy underway. Christianity made the religion of the state. | Churches and government in an unholy alliance. Mixed doctrines. Claim to be Christ's bride, but are married to the world. Decreasing spirituality and increasing worldliness. | Hidden spiritual blessings, divine food, and a new name. | Consecutive |
| Thyatira Rev. 2:18-29 "continual sacrifice" The corrupt church. | Love, spiritual service, faith and patience. The church of works. | Lax discipline, and tolerance of a corrupt prophetess. | Casting Jezebel and her concerts into intense suffering and the killing of her children. | Woman with the leaven. | Middle Ages/ Dark Ages. The age of papal apostasy(Romanism). 590AD-1517AD (?) RCC killing saints overlaps to the end(MT) | Development of numerous factions (i.e. Greek Orthodox, Coptics, etc.). | Power over nations and possession of the morning star. | Overlapping (concurrent) |
| Sardis Rev. 3:1-6 "those escaping" The dead church. | Most members no condemnation, but a few commended for their purity. | Extreme formalism, and imminent spiritual death. " Unfulfilled works." | Approach of Christ as a thief. | Hidden treasure found. | The age of Protestantism following the Reformation. 1517AD---1790AD(?) overlaps to the end(MT) | Churches which manifest growing formalism and spiritual decline. | A robe of righteousness, permanence in the Book of Life and recognition. | Overlapping (concurrent) |
| Philadelphia Rev. 3:7-13 "brotherly love" The faithful church. | Keeping of "my word" testimony. | No reproof. | None. | Pearl of great price. | The period of revivals ,the missionary movements. 1790-1870AD(?) overlaps until the rapture | All earnest spiritual churches (the true church). Missions and evangelism. | An open door, becoming spiritual pillars, and bearing a divine inscription. | Overlapping (concurrent) |
| Laodicea Rev. 3:14-22 " people ruling" The apostate church. | None recorded. | Lukewarmness, spiritual conceit, no conscious need, spiritual poverty, and spiritual blindness. | Expulsion from the mouth of the Lord. | Dragnet. | Church of the last days. 1870AD--Mid-Tribulation Spewed out at the rapture and destroyed at Mid-Tribulation. | Popular, self-satisfied worldly churches. Apostate churches. Materially rich, but spiritually dead. | Divine fellowship and spiritual enthronement with Christ. | Overlapping (concurrent) |

