

Names of the Churches	Commendations	Reproofs	Warning	Parallel Parable Matt.13	Historical Period Represented (App)	Equivalent Modern Day Church	Promises to Overcomers	
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 prophethess.	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)

