REVELATION 3

October 5th, 2025

MESSAGE RECAP

This week we wrapped up the last three of the seven churches Jesus addressed. Sardis had a reputation for life but was spiritually dead. Philadelphia, though weak and persecuted, was commended for their faithfulness and given hope in Christ's open door. Laodicea was wealthy and self-sufficient but lukewarm in their faith — a condition that made Jesus want to "spit them out." Through these letters, we see Jesus calling His people to wake up, hold fast, and see clearly where they are blind or comfortable. Each challenge is not just for them, but for us.

GROUP DISCUSSION

- **1.** After listening to the message, what stood out to you?
- **2.** Revelation 3:1–6 Jesus' warning to Sardis: Wake up and strengthen what remains.
 - a. What does it look like today to live on a reputation of faith rather than a present, active faith?
 - b. Jesus calls Sardis to remember, hold fast, and repent. Which of those three do you need most right now?
- **3.** Revelation 3:7–13 Jesus' encouragement to Philadelphia: I hold the keys, I open doors no one can shut.
 - a. How does it encourage you to know that Jesus is the one who opens and closes doors?
 - b. In what ways can you endure with patient faith when life feels uncertain or when doors seem shut?
- **4.** Revelation 3:14–22 Jesus' rebuke to Laodicea: Don't be lukewarm; open the door to a relationship with Me.
 - a. 5. Laodicea's wealth blinded them. What modern comforts or securities can easily blind us to our need for Jesus?
 - b. 6. Jesus says, "Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline." How does His love shape the way we receive correction?
- **5.** This week, identify one area where you might be depending on reputation, comfort, or self-sufficiency rather than Christ. What step can you take to "wake up," "hold fast," or "see clearly"?

