

## THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF ASIA MINOR COMPARISON TABLE

A.D.	Ephesus Rev. 2:1-7	Smyrna Rev. 2:8-11	Pergamum Rev. 2:12-17	Thyatira Rev. 2:18-29	Sardis Rev. 3:1-6	Philadelphia Rev. 3:7-13	Laodicea Rev. 3:14-22
Era - Liberal Dating Era - Conservative Dating	30 - 100 96 - 100	100 - 313 100 - 313	313 - 590 313 - 606	590 - 1517 606 - 1560	1517 - 1790 1560 - 1790	1730 - 1900 1790 - 1840	1900 - presently 1840 - presently
<b>Authentication of Christ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Holds 7 stars</li> <li>•Walks among 7 lampstands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•First and Last</li> <li>•Which was dead and is now alive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Has sharp sword</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Son of God</li> <li>•Flaming eyes</li> <li>•Bronze Feet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Holds 7 spirits</li> <li>•Holds 7 stars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Holy and True</li> <li>•Key of David</li> <li>•Opens &amp; Shuts Doors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Faithful &amp; True</li> <li>•Present at</li> <li>•Beginning of Creation</li> </ul>
<b>What Christ Knows about the Church</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Labor and works</li> <li>•endurance and</li> <li>•patience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Endured Tribulation</li> <li>•Endured Poverty</li> <li>•Coming Troubles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Faith not denied</li> <li>•Dwell where Satan resides</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Works, Love, Faith, Service,</li> <li>•Patience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Name and Reputation they once had</li> <li>•Works</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Kept the word</li> <li>•Works</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Unsatisfactory works</li> </ul>
<b>Praise and/or Commendation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Not wary</li> <li>•Test Teachers</li> <li>•Hate Nicolaitans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•You are rich</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Holding fast</li> <li>•Did not deny my name</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Later works exceed the quality of the first works</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Have a few members that are worthy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Kept My Word</li> <li>•Did not deny my name</li> <li>•Have endured</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>
<b>Problem</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Abandoned first love - The Savior</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Idolatry</li> <li>•Some Balaamites</li> <li>•Some Nicolaitans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Controlled by Jezebel</li> <li>•Won't repent</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Works imperfect</li> <li>•Seems spiritually alive but dead in reality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Lukewarm</li> <li>•Poor</li> <li>•Spiritually Blind and Naked</li> </ul>
<b>Demand Remedy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Repent!</li> <li>•Remember!</li> <li>•Return to first love, &amp; first works</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Don't fear!</li> <li>•Be faithful to death</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Repent!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Repent!</li> <li>•Hold fast!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Repent!</li> <li>•Remember!</li> <li>•Awake!</li> <li>•Strengthen!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Hold fast!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Repent!</li> <li>•Refine yourself</li> <li>•Open Door to me</li> </ul>
<b>Warning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•I will remove your lampstand</li> <li>•(Destruction)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•I will make war with you</li> <li>•(Destruction)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Sickbed</li> <li>•Great tribulation</li> <li>•Death</li> <li>•(Destruction)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•I will come as a thief</li> <li>•(Destruction)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•I will spit you out</li> <li>•(Destruction)</li> </ul>
<b>False Jews</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Slander you</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Will make them worship at your feet</li> </ul>	
<b>Promise of Reward</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Eat from tree of life</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Crown of life</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> <li>•(Reward)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Hidden manna</li> <li>•White stone</li> <li>•New name</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Rod, to rule nations</li> <li>•Morning Star</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> <li>•(Reward)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•White garments</li> <li>•Walk with Me</li> <li>•Confess my name</li> <li>•Name not removed</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Pillar in temple</li> <li>•Name of God</li> <li>•New city</li> <li>•New name</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Sup with you</li> <li>•Sit with me on my throne</li> <li>•(Salvation)</li> </ul>

# CHURCH HEALTH CHART ANALYSIS

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<b>POSITIVE FACTORS of 7 Churches</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Labor in the faith</li> <li>•Works of the faith</li> <li>•Endurance - not wary</li> <li>•Test teachers on doctrine</li> <li>•Patience</li> <li>•Hate false teachers</li> <li>•Hate false teaching</li> <li>•Hate false doctrines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Endured Tribulations</li> <li>•Endured Poverty</li> <li>•Endured Hardships</li> <li>•Rich in the faith</li> <li>•Strong in the word</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Faith not denied</li> <li>•Holding fixed in the faith</li> <li>•Resist Satan</li> <li>•Name of the Lord upheld</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Works of faith</li> <li>•Love demonstrated</li> <li>•Faith maintained</li> <li>•Service to others</li> <li>•Patience</li> <li>•Endurance during hardships or troubles</li> <li>•Increase in works both quality and quantity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Good Name</li> <li>•Good Reputation</li> <li>•Good works</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Kept the word</li> <li>•Kept the works</li> <li>•Kept the name of Jesus</li> <li>•Kept enduring</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•None</li> </ul>
<b>SUMMARY ANALYSIS</b>	<p>Claimed to be a Christian Church but did not really love the Lord - just mentioned Him once in a while at special occasions or holidays. They did not allow the teaching of false doctrines in the church, but they never really preached salvation, judgement, or literal Hell in any of their sermons. The sermons were mainly “feel good” messages, not convicting sermons of faith.</p> <p>Did not preach on His love, saving grace, or judgement of wickedness. The focus was not 100% on the Savior.</p>	<p>This church believed fully in the Lord as their Savior for which they suffered at the hands of the community.</p> <p>A poor church financially, but rich in faith and worship which was more important to the Lord than their wealth.</p>	<p>This church was mixing Christianity with worldly secular doctrines. The congregation was developing their own rules and doctrines of worship as they went along. They attempted to live both in the Christian life as well as the world. They just could not separate righteousness from wickedness and abandon secular behavior.</p>	<p>This church was doing all the right things on the outside and in the view of the community, but they were following a wicked teacher (leader) that was teaching a false doctrine.</p> <p>In the eyes of the community they seemed holy, but inside the church they had accepted a false doctrine.</p>	<p>This church was living on their old reputation of a witnessing and zealous Christian congregation on fire for the Lord. But in reality, and when pressed to perform or deliver Christian service they floundered.</p> <p>The congregational members could not ever find the time or tithes to get the job done, they were too busy in their own world. They had been distracted and caught-up in worldly events and preoccupations.</p>	<p>Thus church was growing, worshiping, witnessing, and abounding in faith.</p> <p>The congregation had some opposition from local community outsiders that they did not handle or neutralize.</p> <p>They were allowing these outside forces to interfere with their worship and growth instead of banding together to overcome them</p>	<p>This church and congregation had reconfigured this church into a country club. They were rich, arrogant, and snobs that valued their wealth over faith. One could say that they thought they were equal or better than God. There was no tolerance for humility or poverty.</p> <p>It was not the wealth and possessions they had that ruined them, but instead their attitude toward materialism as their god that prompted the letter.</p> <p>Sermons were changed to presentations, musicals, and motivational self-help seminars - the Gospel had been abandoned.</p>
<b>Church Grade</b>	<b>C-</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>D-</b>	<b>D-</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>A-</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>Corrective Action</b>	Return to the Lord fully or risk failure. Remember who loves you and why you are here!	Don't fear anything, I am in control so continue to keep the faith even unto death and you will graduate!	Stop your wicked and worldly activities or you will fail!	Eliminate your false doctrine and act the way you seem - like true Christians or you will fail!	Stop relying on your old reputation and start demonstrating true Christianity to improve your grade!	Hold fast and fortify your position and your grade will increase to an A!	You have failed, repent now to avoid expulsion!