



Part 7: “Wake Up”
REVELATION 3:1-6

SERMON NOTES

- 1) Christ is **characterized** by his powerful _____ (Revelation 3:1a)

- 2) The church is **called out** for its _____ (Revelation 3:1b)

- 3) The church is **commanded** to _____ (Revelation 3:2,3)
 - a) Strengthen what remains:
 - b) Remember what you have received and heard:
 - c) Hold it fast:
 - d) Repent:

- 4) Christ **commends** those who have remained _____ (Revelation 3:4)

- 4) Christians are **comforted** by the promise of _____ (Revelation 3:5,6)

LIFE APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1) Sardis had the reputation that it was alive when it was, in fact, a dying church. How can a strong reputation actually hide weaknesses? Should a church strive to have a good reputation? What are the pros and cons of that pursuit? What about when it comes to your personal reputation?

2) There is no mention of any persecution of this church. Why would that be and what does it mean for us today?

3) Sardis teaches us that we must beware of our perceived success. Has the abundance and ease of living in our culture led to some unhealthy attitudes about living the Christian life? Do we expect spiritual maturity to be a painless and carefree process? What have you come to learn about the reality of commitment, service and sacrifice as a disciple of Jesus?

4) As you consider the marks of a living church, what do you see as the real marks of health in our church? Where do we need to wake up and strengthen? What part will you play in welcoming a work of revival in our time?

5) How do the promises of God help us to remain faithful through the challenges of life? What promises have helped you to remain steadfast and motivated in your journey with Jesus?

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Take time this week to pray and ask God to bring revival in our time – that what is dying will be made alive for His glory. Ask God to reveal your part in welcoming this miraculous work in your life, home, church and community.