

Dear Church,

LETTERS TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES IN REVELATION

Introduction to the Seven Churches of Revelation

What Jesus Thinks of the Church

Revelation 1:9-13; 17-20

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Introduction:

- A lost practice
- The influence of the letter
- The seven (7) letters relevance
 - “Let anyone who has ears to hear listen to what the Spirit says to the churches.”
- Revelation 1:9-13; 17-20
- What Jesus thinks of the church – “_____”

The church as golden lampstands reveals . . .

I. Jesus’ _____ of the Church, v. 1:20

- We should value what Jesus values
- Ephesians 5:25b-27
- *The church has value because . . .*
 1. The church is one of the major ways we _____.
_____.
 - 2 Timothy 4:2-3
 2. The church is where God’s people use their _____.
_____.
 - 1 Peter 4:10
 3. The church is where God’s people _____ with other _____.
_____.
 4. The church is God’s chosen means for _____ and _____.
_____.
 - Matthew 28:19-20

II. Jesus’ _____ of the Church, v. 1:20

- Bearers of God’s _____ in this dark world
- Matthew 5:14-16
- Philippians 2:14-16a
- “If we are not distinct from the world, we will have nothing to say to the world.” —Erwin Lutzer

Conclusion:

- How Xiang honored the groom