

The Blueprint Session #5 – The Way Back Home

Revelation 2:4 (TPT)

4 But I have this against you: you have abandoned the passionate

love you had for me at the beginning. Revelation 1:4-5a NLT

4 This letter is from John to the seven churches in the province of Asia. Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; and from Jesus Christ.

QUOTE:

""We cannot afford to let down our Christian standards just to hold the interest of people who want to go to hell and still belong to a church."

- A.W. TOZER, Man of God -

Pastor's Big Point:

The social-political climate of this world makes it heavily important to set a certain level of order for the church and for our lives. It's enough to make God's people seek Him accordingly, but many have lost their way. If we don't show them the way back home—the way to God—people will eventually create their own way according to the flesh. The Book of Revelations tells us that there is no perfect person and no perfect church. But as a church body, it gives a standard in the body of Christ to work toward. There are many ways to conduct church, but it must point the way home—a way that leads to Jesus.



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There's no perfect Christian and no perfect church. How do we keep from being "judgy" of other Christians and churches?

Pastor's Teaching Points

In today's lesson, we are going to look at the message that GOD had for each church, as shared to John in the Book of Revelations. Each church had a particular lean or way of doing things that either honored or dishonored GOD, yet GOD continued to challenge their maturity. As you walk through each message, listen to the church that stands out to you. What is GOD saying to you through that church.

- **1.** The church of Ephesus.
- **2.** The church of Smyrna.
- **3.** The church of Peragamum.
- **4.** The church of Thyatira.
- **5.** The church of Sardis.
- **6.** The church of Philadelphia.
- **7.** The church of Laodicea.



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Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is your general impression of God's revelation given to John regarding the seven churches?
 - Is there a particular letter/church message that resonates with you?
- Although these letters were meant for churches thousands of years ago, how are they still relevant today?