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**The Church At Sardis: Wake Up!**

Revelation 3:1-6

**Key Truth**: Just because a church is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the culture doesn’t mean it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Savior.

**The Character Of The Church In Sardis:**

1. They had a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for being alive and exciting.

2. They had cultural \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with no Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. They were spiritually dead even though they looked

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Why Spiritual Complacency Is Dangerous:**

1. It allows us to think we have already spiritually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 **Romans 13:11**

2. It deprives us of seeking to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ deeper in our

 relationship with Jesus. **Philippians 3:17-4:1**

3. We focus more on our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ comfort than our

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mission.

**Principles To Live By:**

1. Jesus Christ doesn’t call His church to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in

 the culture but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Him.

2. Spiritual maturity doesn’t happen by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it

 comes through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Don’t allow Spiritual matters to become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Jesus Christ rewards \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ no matter the

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Consistently consider the gospel and renew our love and passion for Jesus Christ.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

What is your favorite way to break out of the routine of daily life? Why is it important to you to find ways that get you out of that rut?

What about spiritually? Have you ever found yourself simply going through the spiritual motions? How did you break out of that routine?

What kinds of things might characterize a church who has the reputation of being alive but is actually dead?

How can remembering the blessings of God serve to awaken a church that is spiritually dead?

Read Matthew 24:45-51: How should Jesus’ assurance about His return impact our actions?

2 Corinthians 13:5: What do you think Paul meant when he told the Corinthians to “test themselves”? Why might believers need to examine themselves time and time again?

How can we pray for each other’s spiritual walk?