



Outline - Sunday, August 17, 2014

Sermon Title: THE CHURCH AT SARDIS: PRESUMPTION OR FAITH?

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:11-27/Rev 3:1-6

1. **The *admonition* to remember: vs 3a** "Ephesus" Rev 2:5 (Perfect) Col 2:6
 - a. Effective reflection for recovery or preservation: Ps 119:59-60/1 Cor 15:1-3
 - b. The blessing of the gospels early impact: Col 1:4-5
 - c. The increase it brings to the soul when attended: Col 1:6-10
 - d. The affirmation of vital communion with God: John 15:4-5, 7-8
2. **The Warning to Remove: vs 3b (ready to die)**
 - a. The take away principle: Luke 8:18/John 15:2, 6/Luke 19:24—(kingdom)
 - b. The loss of zeal for the gospel: Gal 5:5-7
 - c. The loss of clarity in the gospel: Heb 5:11—legalism/worldliness
 - d. The loss of the gospel and true believers: Isa 57:1-6/2 John 8/1 Cor 3:11-15
3. **The Recognition of those who Remain: vs 4**
 - a. A few *undefiled* garments: Jude 20-23/James 1:27
 - b. The believer's witness: Job 12:5
 - c. The method of garment cleansing: Rev 7:14/1 John 1:9/2 Cor 7:1
 - d. The motive for clean garments? Eph 5:25-27/Rev 19:7
4. **The Reward of Grace Promised: vs 5-6**
 - a. A permanent name in glory: book of life—leger of citizenship: Phil 3:20/Rev 13:8; 17:8; 20:12, 15; 21:27/Ex 32:32/Ps 69:28/Dan 12:1
 - b. Walking with Christ in white: Rev 4:4; 6:11; 7:9, 17:14; 19:14
 - c. Triumphant with Him in glory: 2 Cor 2:14/1 Cor 15:57