



WE'VE GOT MAIL
WEEK 3
TALK NOTES 25.09.11

#5 SARDIS

THE TEXT

'REPUTATION IS WHAT OTHERS THINK YOU ARE, CHARACTER IS WHAT YOU REALLY ARE'

THE MESSAGE... BE AWAKE

- A) WAKE UP
- B) STRENGTHEN
- C) REMEMBER
- D) REPENT

#6 PHILADELPHIA

THE TEXT

THE MESSAGE... BE HOPEFUL

IMPORTANCE OF HOPE...

REASONS FOR HOPE...

THE CHALLENGE IN VERSE 11

'HOLD ON TO WHAT YOU HAVE SO THAT NO ONE WILL TAKE YOUR CROWN'

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WELCOME

WHO HAS HAD A MESSAGE THAT ENCOURAGED THEM THIS WEEK?

WORKS THINK OF SOMEONE YOU KNOW (BELIEVER OR NOT) THAT COULD DO WITH SOME HELP AND SUPPORT RIGHT NOW. PRAY FOR THEM AS A GROUP; IS THERE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO, SEND THEM A MESSAGE FOR INSTANCE?

WORSHIP

IN THE MESSAGES TO THE 7 CHURCHES JESUS USES THE THEME OF LIGHT. LIGHT A LARGE CANDLE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROOM. SPEND A FEW MINUTES IN SILENCE AND MEDITATION LOOKING AT THE LIGHT. ASK SOMEONE TO READ JOHN 1 V.1-14, AND THEN INVITE PEOPLE TO PRAY THANKING GOD FOR HIS LIGHT IN THEIR LIVES.

WORD RECAP ON THE THEME 'WE'VE GOT MAIL'

CHURCH 5 SARDIS - READ REV. 3 V.1-6

- V.1 HOW WOULD YOU HAVE FELT IF YOU'D HAVE HEARD THAT IN THE CHURCH AT SARDIS?
- WHAT ARE SOME OF THE SIGNS A CHURCH COULD BE ASLEEP? HOW ABOUT AN INDIVIDUAL?
- V.2 & 3 WHAT SHOULD THIS MEAN FOR US AS A CHURCH AND AS INDIVIDUALS? GIVE SOME EXAMPLES OF WHEN YOU'VE SEEN OR EXPERIENCED THIS?

CHURCH 6 PHILADELPHIA - READ REV. 3 V.7-13

THIS CHURCH RECEIVED NO REBUKE JUST A LOT OF PROMISES!

- READ THROUGH THE PASSAGE AND ASK PEOPLE WHAT PHRASES IMPACT THEM?
- WHEN HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED GOD OPENING DOORS, STRENGTHENING YOU OR GIVING YOU HOPE WHEN YOU'VE NEEDED IT?
- WHERE DO PEOPLE NEED HOPE IN THEIR LIVES RIGHT NOW?

SPEND SOME TIME IN PRAYER FOR EACH OTHER. THEN STAND AND SPEND SOME TIME IN PRAYER FOR US AS A CHURCH AT THIS TIME. BE OPEN TO USE THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT AS YOU PRAY FOR EACH OTHER AND AS YOU PRAY FOR THE CHURCH... WORLD?