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Message Key: The Church in Sardis had a superficial form of Christianity, but it did not have an intimate, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

"And to the angel of the church in Sardis write,

'These things says He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. <sup>2</sup> Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found your works perfect before God. <sup>3</sup> Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you. <sup>4</sup> You have a few names even in Sardis who have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy. <sup>5</sup> He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. <sup>6</sup> "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

THE D	OF THE LETTER- Sardis
THE D	OF THE LORD
<u> </u>	He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars.
THE D	OF THE CHURCH
	Sardis may have been the birthplace of nominal Christians
	Nominal Christians = Christians in N only.

The Church is denounced for its
1. O profession and I Deadness
2. I works.
Perfect = F or complete.
AUTOPSY OF A DEAD CHURCH
The church died because it relied on past s
The church died because it allowed s to creep into the membership.
The church died because it was not sensitive to its own spiritual c
THE DIRECTION TO THE CHURCH
Jesus addresses 3 different groups within the Church at Sardis:
1. Unsaved people
2. Carnal Christians
3. The Remnant
Become V
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Become V "Hold Fast"
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Repent= to restore virtue!
THE DECLARATION TO THE CHURCH
To those who are overcoming, they shall be c in white!  White = r in white!
To those who are overcoming, they shall be c in the Book!
To those who are overcoming, they will be c before the Father.