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 **To the church in Ephesus <Rev 2:1-7>**

1. Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;
 2. I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, (Heb 4:12-13) and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: (2Th 2:9-12) and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, (2Co 11:13-15) and are not, and hast found them liars: (Ac 20:29-31)
 3. And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.
 4. Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. (1Jn 3:10-12/Mt 24:10-12)
 5. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent. (Jer 26:4-6)
 6. But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, (Rev 2:14-16) which I also hate.
 7. He that hath an ear, (Jn 14:16-17/Jn 15:26-27/Jn 16:7-14) let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; (Lk 14:34-35) To him that overcometh (Rev 17:14) will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God. (2Co 12:2-4/Ge 3:22-24/Pr 11:30)
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The members of the Church in Ephesus not only revealed the deceivers who belong to Satan but also worked hard and patiently to shine the name of Jesus. Most importantly, however, they lost the first love and the things they did at first, showing a situation of imminent danger in which, without repenting, the lampstand of God would be removed from its place.

Current Status: The church that lost the first love and the things they did at first

The Reference Verses of the Church in Ephesus

(Heb 4:12-13)

- For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing
12. even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
 13. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

(2Th 2:9-12)

9. Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
10. And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
11. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
12. That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

(2Co 11:13-15)

13. For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.
14. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
15. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

(Ac 20:29-31)

29. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.
30. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.
31. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.

(1Jn 3:10-12)

10. In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.
11. For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.
12. Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

(Mt 24:10-12)

10. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.
11. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

12. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

(Jer 26:4-6)

4. And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,
5. To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending them, but ye have not hearkened;
6. Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.

(Rev 2:14-16)

- But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of
14. Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.
 15. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.
 16. Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

(Jn 14:16-17)

16. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
17. Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

(Jn 15:26-27)

26. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:
27. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

(Jn 16:7-14)

7. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.
8. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:
9. Of sin, because they believe not on me;
10. Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;
11. Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.
12. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.
Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall
13. not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, [that] shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.
14. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

(Lk 14:34-35)

34. Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?
35. It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

(Rev 17:14)

14. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

(2Co 12:2-4)

2. I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth; such an one caught up to the third heaven.
3. And I knew such a man, in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;
4. How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

(Ge 3:22-24)

- And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil:
22. and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:
 23. Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.
 24. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

(Pr 11:30)

30. The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

