PRECIOUS PROMISES OF JESUS (From Revelation chapters 2 & 3)

In the early part of Revelation, Jesus has a personal message for seven churches ... and for each of us that know Him today!

These are seven sets of promises (one for each church) that Jesus gives to each of us who "overcomes" (i.e. "conquers"; "who is victorious"). *What is it that we "overcome"*? Sin & death. *How do we overcome*? Through faith in Jesus!

1) Church in Ephesus (Rev 2:7)

"To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God".

• "Tree of Life ... in Paradise" = eternal life in Heaven!

2) Church in Smyrna (Rev 2:11)

"He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death"

• Avoid the second death! (Lake of Fire – Hell see Rev 20:14, 21:8)

3) Church in Pergamum (Rev 2:17)

"To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it".

- Hidden manna = spiritual food!
- White stone = judged innocent (not guilty; no penalty)!

• New, intimate name from Jesus!

4) Church in Thyatira (Rev 2:26-28)

"To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations ... just as I have received authority from my Father. I will also give him the morning star".

- Authority over the nations = judge and rule with Jesus! (see handout)
- Receive the "morning star" = Jesus is giving us Himself! (see Rev 22:16)

5) Church in Sardis (Rev 3:5)

"He who overcomes will ... be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels".

- Dressed in white = will be pure and holy and free from sin!
- Never blotted out from book of life = eternal security; never lose our salvation!
- Our name acknowledged before God the Father and the angels!

6) Church in Philadelphia (Rev 3:12)

"Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of Heaven from my God; and I will also write on him my new name".

• Pillar in temple of God = strong, stable, durable part in house of God!

• Never leave the temple of God = eternal security!

• "Written" on us: name of God (see Rev 22:4 – signifying we belong to God!); name of New Jerusalem (our wondrous eternal home!) and Jesus new name (signifying our special relationship with Him!)

7) Church in Laodicea (Rev 3:21)

"To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on His throne".

• Sit on Jesus throne = right to reign with Jesus!