**Chapter Eleven Visual on the Seven Churches**

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| Ephesus   * hard work * cannot tolerate evil * persevered, endured hardship * hate practices of the Nicolaitans * *left first love*   Pergamum   * Satan had his throne here—a very wicked city, but Christians remained true * Stayed true even in martyrdom * *hold to Balaam's teaching (immorality and food offered in sacrifice to idols* * *hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans*   Sardis   * *most had a reputation of being alive—but were dead!* * *deeds not complete* * a few with unsoiled clothes   Smyrna   * Great poverty * had suffered a lot * will suffer more * commended, no rebukes | Thyatira   * good works, love, faith * service and perseverance * *some tolerated Jezabel (immorality, food sacrificed to idols)*   + *something about Satan's deep secrets*   Philadelphia   * little strength, but have remained true * enemies will fall at their feet * endured patiently * commended, no rebuke   Laodicea   * *lukewarm* * *thinks they are rich, but really are wretched, poor, blind, naked* * told to buy God's gold, clothes, and salve |