Dear Sardis · Revelation 3:1-6

1. **The Greeting** (3:1a)

2. **The Problem** (3:1b)

3. **The Solution** (3:2-3a)

4. **The Warning** (3:3b)

5. **The Faithful Few** (3:4)

6. **The Promises** (3:5)

7. **To Emmanuel** (3:6)

1. What are some things that you can praise God for this week? What are some ways that you could use prayer?

2. What insight, principle, or observation from the message did you find most helpful, most challenging, or most troubling?

3. Before Sunday, what would you have pointed to as signs that a church is “alive”? What about signs that a Christian is?
    a. Which of those signs could still be true of someone who is spiritually asleep?
    b. Why are visible markers like these so reassuring to us? What do they spare us from having to look at (in others & ourselves)?
    c. Think about your own ordinary week. Where have the habits of faith (Sunday mornings, familiar songs, prayers before meals) slipped into autopilot? Share if appropriate

4. Continuing on the topic of "self evaluation", how does one take an honest look at their "pulse"?
    a. Read 2 Peter 1:3-15 (and if time, also Matthew 7:15-23).. What does this add to the discussion?
    b. Robert Murray M'Cheyne once wrote *"for every look at yourself, take ten looks at Christ"*. How does this quote align with 1 Peter 1:9?
    c. How do we find the balance between never examining ourselves, and despairing?

5. On Sunday we heard to look out for those who may be quietly dying among us. Read Hebrews 3:12-14 and Galatians 6:1-2.
    a. What does this actually look like practically?
    b. How would Hebrews 4:14-16 be vital?
    c. How can we do this gently and in love, without becoming suspicious of one another or turning it into a checklist?

6. On Sunday, we ended with a promise that whoever overcomes will not have their name blotted out of the book of life (Rev. 3:5)
    a. How can this promise be a source of hope and peace to you this week?
    b. How may meditating on Jesus confessing your name end certain sins in your life, and replace it with joy?
    c. Read Jude 24-25 together and ask God to do it in prayer.

Next week’s passage: Revelation 3:7-13