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THE DEAD CHURCH

¹ To the angel of the church in Sardis write: These are the words of him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars. I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead. ² Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God. ³ Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; obey it, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

⁴ Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. ⁵ He who overcomes will, like them, 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. ⁶ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

Revelation 3:1–6

A scroll with text on a wooden background. The scroll is a light brown color with a darker brown border. It is unrolled and lies flat against a background of dark, textured wood. The text is written in a white, serif font. The scroll has a circular hole on the left side, and the text is centered on the right side of the scroll.

JESUS SPEAKS TO HIS
CHURCH IN SARDIS

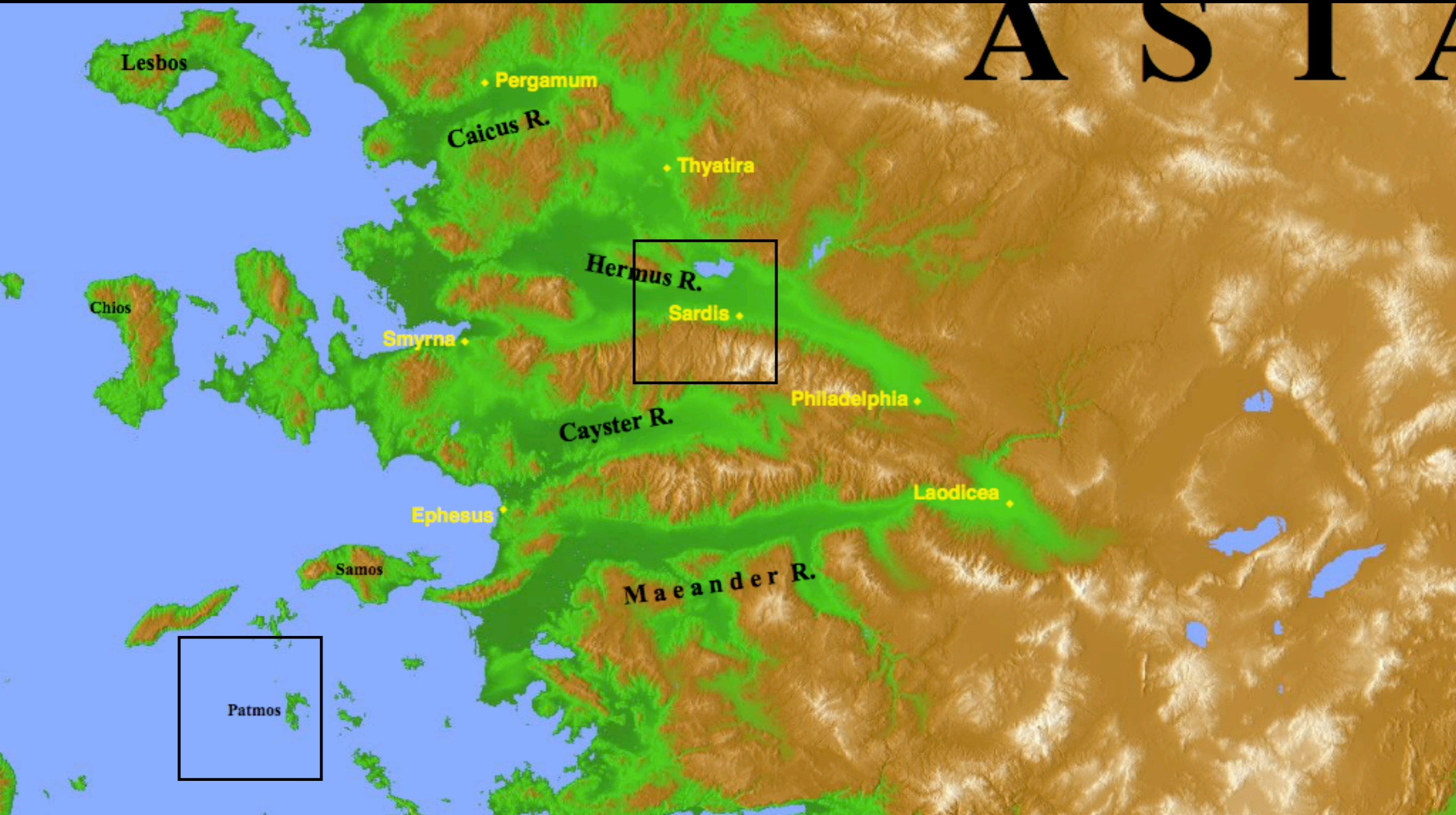
THE CHURCH IN SARDIS

To the angel of **the church in Sardis** write:
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seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

Revelation 3:1



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JESUS THE SOVEREIGN GOD SPEAKS

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Revelation 3:1





JESUS' WORD FOR THE
CHURCH IN SARDIS

A WORD OF REBUKE

To the angel of the church in Sardis write:
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seven spirits of God and the seven stars. **I
know your deeds; you have a reputation of
being alive, but you are dead.**

Revelation 3:1



AN URGENT CALL TO AWAKEN & BE ALERT

Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God.

Revelation 3:2



AN URGENT CALL TO AWAKEN & BE ALERT

⁴⁰ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. “Could you men not **keep watch** with me for one hour?” he asked Peter.

⁴¹ “**Watch** and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

Matthew 26:40–41



AN URGENT CALL TO AWAKEN & BE ALERT

²⁹ I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. ³⁰ Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. ³¹ So **be on your guard!** Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

Acts 20:29–31



AN URGENT CALL TO AWAKEN & BE ALERT

Be self-controlled and **alert**. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:8



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A CALL TO REPENT

Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; obey it, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

Revelation 3:3



SPIRITUAL SLUMBER LEADS TO SINFUL LIVING

Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy.

Revelation 3:4



THE ROOT OF VITALITY – JUSTIFICATION

He who overcomes will, like them, 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.

Revelation 3:5



THE ROOT OF VITALITY – JUSTIFICATION

These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:14



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Revelation 3:5



THE ROOT OF VITALITY – REGENERATION

Everyone born of God overcomes the world.
This is the victory that has overcome the world,
even our faith.

1 John 5:4





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