



Getting Started (ideas for how to transition to begin this study):

- How does one go about strengthening what you have in a spiritual sense?
- Describe the last time you've received a "wake up" call in your spiritual life.

Digging Deeper (optional material to consider):

- Sardis was home to the goddess Cybele who was thought to have the power to bring the dead back to life. Can you see how this relates to the way Jesus describes the church at Sardis?
- Consider the image given in verse 4 of soiled garments. Look at these references and then describe what this image means:
  - Revelation 7:14
  - Revelation 19:7 – 8
  - Revelation 22:14
  - I John 1:9
- Verse 5 mentions the book of life. What does this mean? Consider these passages:
  - Psalm 139
  - Romans 10:9 – 10
  - Matthew 10:32
  - Revelation 20:11 - 15