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Revelations 3:1-3

Sardis had a bustling marketplace, huge palace, and a magnificent gymnasium. It minted the first coins, had a fabulous silk marketplace, and a gold mine near the river. They worshiped false gods and Caesar as well.

Sardis thought it was untouchable, but they were attacked by the Persians, Rome, and experienced an earthquake. Sardis became physically and financially broke. It was built on high mountains and seemed to be protected.

Like Sardis we think highly of ourselves, but pride always gets in the way of a fall. The thief comes unexpectedly and causes our demise, because we get too comfortable in who and what we think we are. We must stay alert.

The Sardis church was once alive, but it was dead. Like this church, we find many church goers who were once on fire for the Lord, but they soon settled down and the fire went out. Now God has to put them back on fire again.

The church has to regain its strength. It has to remember what it received and heard, remember what it was taught and what they were convinced of.

We must practice the presence of God. Tune in and be in sync with him by keeping the passion burning. Remind him that he is the most important person in your life.

In the meantime don't soil your clothes with the filth of the world. The one who has not compromised will walk with him dressed in white, for they will be victorious and worthy. Their name will not be

blotted out of the book of life. He who has an ear to hear, let him hear.