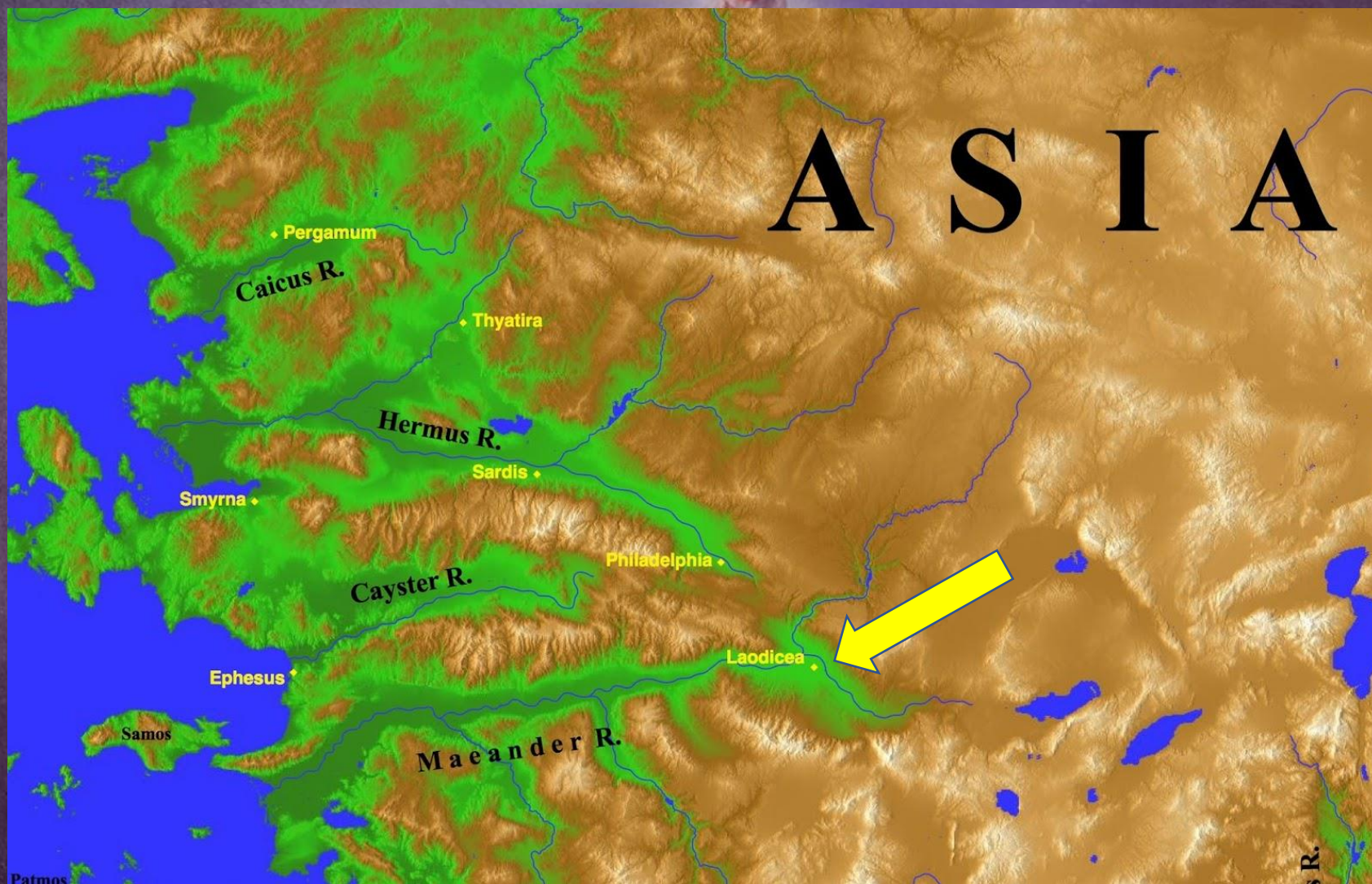


A Tale of Seven Churches: Laodicea

Revelation 3:14-22



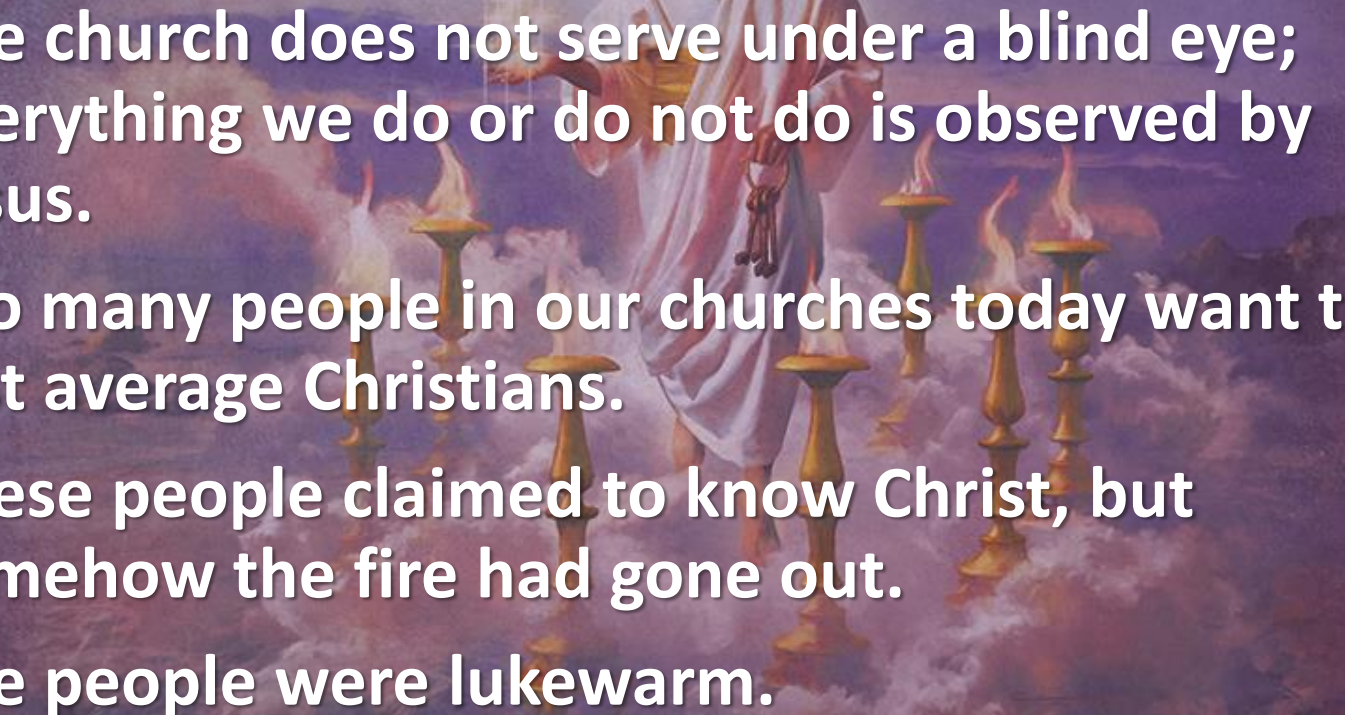
Seven Churches Map



Laodicea



The Rebuke

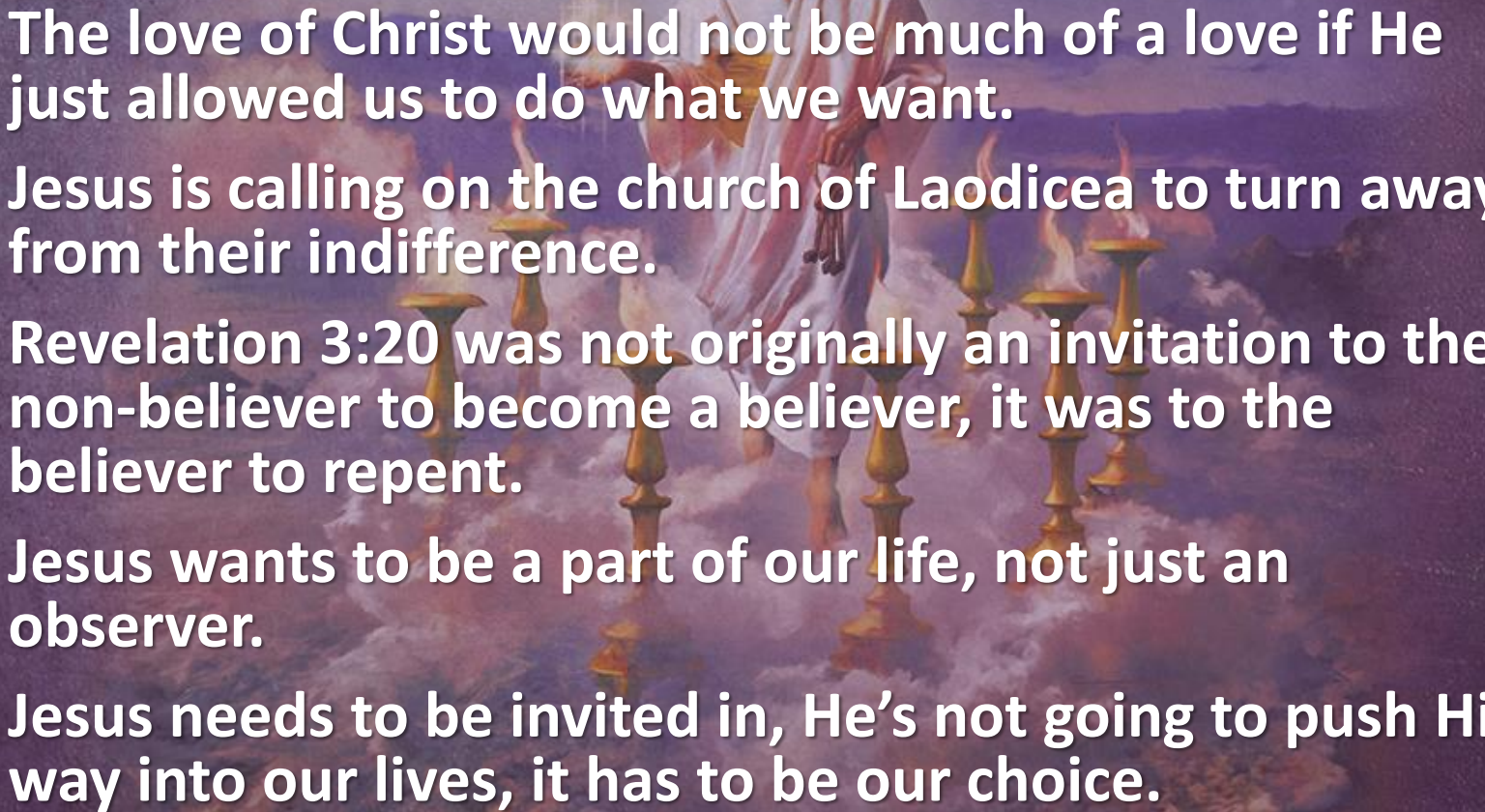
- The church does not serve under a blind eye; everything we do or do not do is observed by Jesus.
 - Too many people in our churches today want to be just average Christians.
 - These people claimed to know Christ, but somehow the fire had gone out.
 - The people were lukewarm.
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Lukewarm Christian



- The lukewarm Christian is nauseating, not only to God but to everyone else as well.
- The Laodicean church was totally ineffective across the board.
- The Laodicean church was not doing anything; they were just there.
- The church in Laodicea was physically rich, but Christ said they were poor.
- For every problem that Jesus identified He had a solution, but He was not going to force Himself on them.

The Reason

- The love of Christ would not be much of a love if He just allowed us to do what we want.
 - Jesus is calling on the church of Laodicea to turn away from their indifference.
 - Revelation 3:20 was not originally an invitation to the non-believer to become a believer, it was to the believer to repent.
 - Jesus wants to be a part of our life, not just an observer.
 - Jesus needs to be invited in, He's not going to push His way into our lives, it has to be our choice.
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Conclusion

- Is Jesus a part of your everyday life?
- This is your opportunity, to ask Him for forgiveness and turn your life over to Him.
- What will you do with Jesus?
- Behold, He stands at the door and knocks.

