

**OUTLINE**

- I. Letter to mostly dead Sardis 3:1-3
- II. A few in Sardis are worthy 3:4-6
- III. Jesus declares His love for church of Philadelphia 3:7-9
- IV. Jesus is coming and will reward those who endure patiently 3:10-13

**BASIC BIBLE TRUTH/ DOCTRINE: REGENERATION**

Regeneration is that act by which The Holy Spirit puts HIS eternal life into a person who believes in The Lord Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Man died spiritually at the fall described in Gen 3. Since that time all men live in deadness in our transgression and sin- until by God's grace through faith The Holy Spirit gives new life.

The word describes what happens when we are "*born again*" when we realize that we are a dead sinner- that we need a Savior- new life. Jesus Christ fully human yet without sin- and fully God died on the cross for my sin- was buried and raised on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day. I then am regenerated- I am given new life- signed sealed and delivered by the indwelling Holy Spirit.

**PRINCIPLES:**

- **JESUS CHRIST IS THE MASTER OF EVERY SPIRITUAL POWER AND AUTHORITY**
- **BELIEVER'S IN JESUS CHRIST MUST BE EVER WATCHFUL AND DILIGENT**
- **THE WHITE ROBE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS IS FROM GOD THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST**
  
- **JESUS CHRIST IS THE HOLY ONE AND THE TRUE ONE**
- **BELIEVER'S ARE TO KEEP GOD'S WORD AND NOT DENY THE NAME OF JESUS**
- **JESUS IS OUR SECURITY, PERMANENCE AND STRENGTH**