


Revelation 3:7-13
Christ's Address to the Church in Philadelphia
Part 2
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Implications and Objections

Revelation 3:10 Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing...



Possible Objections:

1. This promise only applied to the church in Philadelphia.
2. The hour of testing is something less than the full 70th week of Daniel.
3. The church is kept "through" the hour of testing.
4. The church is kept by being "taken out of" the hour.

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Imminence Should Lead to Perseverance

Revelation 3:10-11 'Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. **11 I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have,** so that no one will take your crown.

Rev. 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must take place soon...

Rev 22:20 He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming quickly." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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The Promise to Have "God's Name"

Revelation 3:12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him **the name of My God**, and **the name of the city of My God**, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and **My new name**.

Daniel 9:19 O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and take action! For Your own sake, O my God, do not delay, because **Your city and Your people are called by Your name**.

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Implications of the Third Commandment

Exodus 20:7 You shall not **take** the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain.

Romans 2:24 For "THE NAME OF GOD IS BLASPHEMED AMONG THE GENTILES BECAUSE OF YOU," just as it is written.

Ezekiel 36:20 When they came to the nations where they went, **they profaned My holy name**, because it was said of them, 'These are the people of the LORD; yet they have come out of His land.'

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God's Remedy: The New Covenant

Ezekiel 36:22-24 Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for My holy name, which you have profaned among the nations where you went. 23 "I will vindicate the holiness of My great name which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst. Then the nations will know that I am the LORD," declares the Lord GOD, "when I prove Myself holy among you in their sight. 24 "For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land.

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Ezekiel 36:25-27 Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. 26 "Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances.

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God's People Will Rightly Bear His Name

Ezekiel 37:25-27 They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons' sons, forever; and David My servant will be their prince forever. 26 "I will make a covenant of peace with them; it will be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will place them and multiply them, and will set My sanctuary in their midst forever. 27 "My dwelling place also will be with them; and I will be their God, and they will be My people.

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Revelation 22:3-4 There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him; 4 they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.

Revelation 3:12-13 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name. 13 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

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