



## LISTENING GUIDE

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### **The Church of the Living Dead**

*Revelation 3:1-6*

As we continue our current sermon series, **Letters from Christ**, we come to Revelation 3 where we discover *the church of the living dead*. Let's follow Jesus's unique letter-writing pattern to hear what He has to say to this church and to us in this fifth letter. Notice...

#### **I. Christ's Characterization (v.1a)**

- He who has the *seven spirits of God* and the *seven stars*

Seven stars = Seven Angels = Seven Pastors

Seven spirits = Holy Spirit; His sevenfold ministry (see *Isaiah 11:2*)

#### **II. Christ's Condemnation (v.1b)**

- The church in Sardis was different on the *outside* than they were on the *inside*:
  - *Reputation* = being \_\_\_\_\_
  - *Reality* = \_\_\_\_\_
- See *Matthew 23:27-28*

#### **III. Christ's Command (vv.2-3)**

- \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_!

#### **IV. Christ's Challenge (vv.4-6)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_!