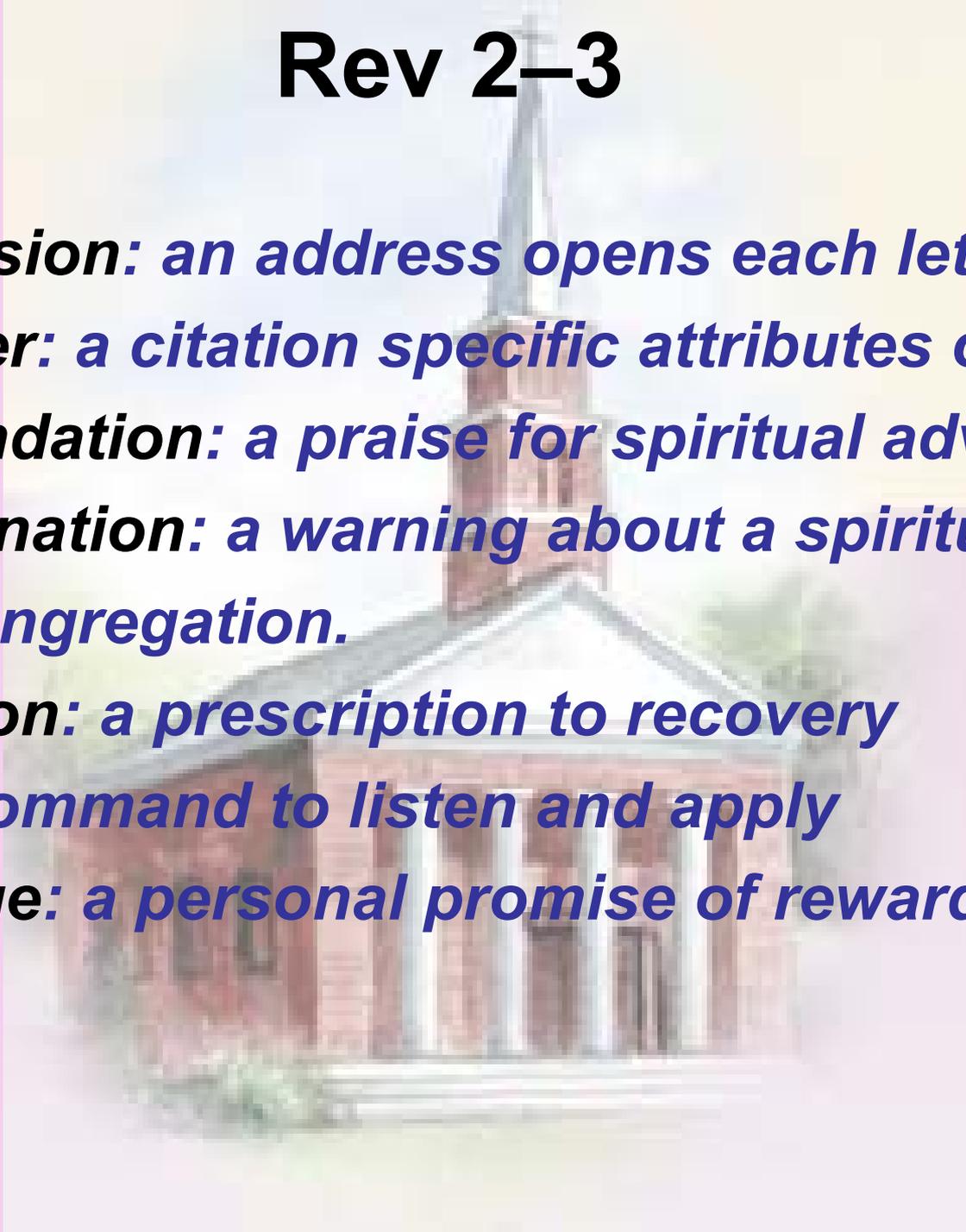


Rev 2–3

- 1. Commission: an address opens each letter***
 - 2. Character: a citation specific attributes of Christ***
 - 3. Commendation: a praise for spiritual advance***
 - 4. Condemnation: a warning about a spiritual flaw in the congregation.***
 - 5. Correction: a prescription to recovery***
 - 6. Call: a command to listen and apply***
 - 7. Challenge: a personal promise of reward***
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CHURCHES OF THE REVELATION

REV. 2-3

- City
- ⦿ Cities of the Seven Churches
- Major road



John writes Revelation encouraging Christians to remain faithful.

Revelation 3:7, “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, ‘These things says He who is holy, He who is true, “He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens”’:”

Revelation 3:8, “I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name.”

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δύναμις *dúnamis*; The question here concerns the spiritual power of the church. Remember, this is in a commendation section of the verse. Note how the verse reads.

1 Corinthians 1:24, “but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the **power** of God and the wisdom of God.”

1 Corinthians 1:18, “For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the **power of God.”**

Romans 1:4, “who was declared the Son of God with **power** by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,”

**John 14:15, “If you love Me, you will keep
My commandments.”**

John 14:21, “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.”

John 14:23, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him’.”

Revelation 3:9, “Indeed I will make *those* of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie – indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you.”

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To the Church at Sardis

Revelation 2:9, “I know your works, tribulation, and poverty (but you are rich); and *I know* the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews and are not, but *are a synagogue of Satan.*”

Romans 9:6, “But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. **For they are not all Israel who are of Israel,**”

John 8:44, “You [unbelieving Pharisees] are of **your father the devil**, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and *does not* stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it.”

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Isaiah 60:14, “Also the sons of those who afflicted you shall come bowing to you, and all those who despised you shall fall prostrate at the soles of your feet; and they shall call you the City of the LORD, Zion of the Holy One of Israel.”

Isaiah 45:14, “Thus says the LORD: ‘The labor of Egypt and merchandise of Cush and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over to you, and they shall be yours; they shall walk behind you, they shall come over in chains; and they shall bow down to you. They will make supplication to you, *saying*, “Surely God *is* in you, and *there is* no other; *there is* no other God.’””

Ezekiel 36:23, ““And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I *am* the LORD,’ says the Lord GOD, ‘when I am hallowed in you before their eyes.’”

Revelation 3:10, “Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.”

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(3:10a–b) “Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.”

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When BECAUSE begins the sentence, it states the cause of the following clause

When BECAUSE follows a comma, it links to the previous clause.

The least common use of BECAUSE begins the sentence, this is called the *suspensive* use of *hoti*.

Out of about 450 uses of the causal HOTI, grammarians recognize only 12 as suspensive.

John uses *HOTI* about 180 times and only 11 times is it suspensive.