## **OVERVIEW BRIEF**

- Read (Hear)
- Recognize (Understand)
- Respond (do)



Throughout His Word, Sovereign God has fully and repeatedly revealed to us that His probing vision vigilantly examines the core move of every heart to assess the essence of every thought and motive.

In this New Testament era, addressing each and every local church congregation that existed during that era (through the representative group of the Seven Angels of the Seven Churches); and by using the inspired text of convey these timeless messages to every succeeding generation that will comprise the Church dispensation, the Living Lord has plainly declared to us, "I know thy works."

Moreover, we can rightly conclude these repeated holy admonition were designed to convey to each of us that we continually live under the monitoring oversight of His omniscient vision.

Therefore, the sheer importance of this keynote bible truth is shown by the fact it is presented respectively to each church (and redeemed soul).

Although outwardly we (humanity) are routinely pretentious and duplicitous in our words and actions, in **Jeremiah 17:10** the Lord personally reminds us that we stand as particularly transparent "open books before the eyes of His deep penetrating omniscience.

Thus, He reveals to us in the keynote text of the prophetic record: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

"I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings."

The symbolic imagery of the metaphors "hearts and reins" refer to that which lies at the core of our being.

Moreover, the Lord plainly declares to us that the true character of our inner man can never be hidden from Him despite how deeply we attempt to conceal the true nature of our actions from Him.

HEAR & HEED

TOPICAL TEXT:

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## **SELECTED TEXT:**

Revelation 1:3, 11, 18-19 (KJV)

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Revelation 1:11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto

Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter'

## BLESSED IS HE THAT READETH

The Word of God is not to be left in a corner, but publically read. It is not preserved for the few; but the charter of many. God's truth was to be set before men through the ear. Spurgeon