

Revelation

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Session 8

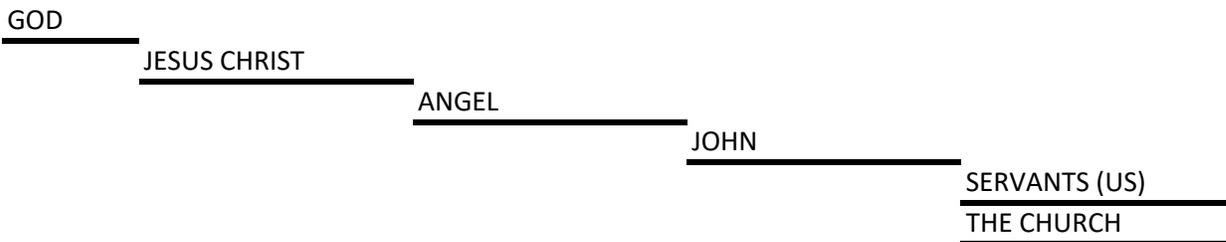
Chapter 2:18-29

It is **IMPOSSIBLE** to gain any understanding of Revelation without being born-again!

Remember....Only **GOD** has all the answers!

WARNING!!! SATAN does not want you to learn the **TRUTH** of God's plan!

The "STEPS" OF REVELATION



Seven stars = messenger/_____ of seven churches. Seven lampstands = Seven churches.

The Seven Churches

Each were a **CONGREGATION**.

Each had a spiritual **CONDITION**.

All but one had a **COMMENDATION**.

All but two had a **CONDEMNATION**.

All but two had a **CONSEQUENCE**.

Each represent seven basic _____ in church history.

The Church of Thyatira

History believes that Thyatira was founded by Alexander The Great _____ years before Christ.

The Congregation

It was a wealthy city in Macedonia, know for its outstanding color _____.

The main characteristic of this church was " _____ " toward people rather than doctrinal beliefs.

Thyatira is known as The _____ Church.

The Pagan Church Period - A.D. 590-1000 (The _____ Ages)

"Dark" indicates the merging _____ with Christianity like Pergamum.

Darkness (_____) and light (_____) do not mix. The result during this Church period was deep spiritual darkness.

The Congregation

"Thyatira" comes from _____ words meaning " _____ " and "continual".

This church took continual sacrifice to another level of _____-based religious works making it more _____ than Christian.

This Church and church period both were and are filled with _____.

Heresy - The belief or opinion that is _____ to Christian doctrine. There is _____ biblical basis for things of heresy.

The Roman church misused _____. It also promoted salvation by " _____ " over Grace. Many practices are referred to as "Satan's _____"

Look at Revelation 2:18

"and unto the angel..." This is addressed to the messenger/ _____ of the church of Thyatira.

"...The Son of God..."

This refers to The _____ Christ.

"Who has eyes like a flame of fire, and Whose feet are like burnished bronze."

This pictures The Son of God in _____.

His eyes are like a flame of fire that _____ darkness. Burnished bronze in Scripture represents judgment.

Christ is judging _____ Church.

Look at Revelation 2:19

The Commendation

This contains six _____ of a born-again believer that come through the indwelling of The Holy Spirit:

1. _____

There are many who lived above reproach by allowing God to do a greater work through their lives.

2. _____

This church had a lot of love for each other and for God even though it had fallen into ritualism.

3. _____

Faith in God is the fuel that keeps love and works going.

4. _____

Service is the same as "ministry". Ministry is _____ "moving" and _____ "going" with the goal of promoting The Gospel.

5. _____

This is the ability to patiently endure even in the midst of deep spiritual darkness.

6. Latter works exceed your first In this church, works _____ rather than diminished.

Look at Revelation 2:20

The Condemnation

In the Old Testament, _____ was the woman who brought Baalism into Israel and _____ the nation.

Scholars believe there was a woman in the local church at Thyatira who had a reputation as a teacher and prophetess who was a "Jezebel".

Just as Jezebel killed Naboth and persecuted God's prophets, the church supplanted _____ over personal faith in Jesus Christ.

As this woman was allowed to work in the church and city, sexual - _____, which is both a sin and a symbol of _____, became common-place.

This was also the time when the _____ government brought domination of the church under direction of Papal _____.

"Jezebel" is the forerunner to the _____ church which we will learn more about in Revelation Chapter 17.

Look at Revelation 2:21

"Time..." The Lord has _____ with this false system for over a thousand years, with no change taking place. He has had _____!

To this day, Rome boasts "semper idem", which means "_____ the _____."

Look at Revelation 2:22-13

To those who continue their "adultery" of The Gospel, they will be thrown into a period of great _____.

This could refer to _____ the Roman church suffers under Communism. It will also suffer under The Great Tribulation.

"her works" is the same as "_____ works".

"children" are all those who were brought up under this "Jezebel" _____.

"_____ the churches" refers to all the _____ of all the church ages.

"mind and heart" refers to The Lord searching out our _____ beings and evaluating The believer's individual _____.

Look at Revelation 2:24-25

The Consolation & Counsel

This is directed to those who were _____ and rejected false doctrines.

"Only hold fast what you have until I come." God's people _____ stay strong through all Tribulation.

Look at Revelation 2:26-27

Believers are called to "overcome" _____ and not by effort.

Look at 1 Corinthians 6:1-11

Believers in Jesus Christ will _____ the judgment of nations. This judgment will be the work of The Trinity.

This is also a reference to The _____ Reign of Christ in which believers are to _____.

Look at Revelation 2:28-29

The Morning Star

This refers to Revelation 22:16. Christ's coming for His own at The Rapture is the hope of The Church.

The Consequence

The children of "Jezebel" will not hear, only the _____ children of The Lord Jesus Christ will hear.