

Today's Theme

“Thyatira Did Good & Bad”

Series Title

“The Future - From Jesus”

Part 7 October 9, 2022

Church 1 Ephesus:

We must *know* of Gods love - To love Him back!

Church 2 Smyrna:

They were *rich* - Because they knew their *future*!

Church 3 Pergamum:

Some stood *strong* - Hidden *manna* & *assurance*!

Some went the *worlds* way - They listened to *evil*!

1. Jesus takes a *look* at Thyatira.

(1) So what *about* Thyatira?

Rev 2:18 “To the angel of the church in Thyatira write:

1. 35 miles southeast of Pergamum.
2. A *wealthy* city for the ancient world.
3. Known for *wool* & *dye* products.
4. Home of *Lydia* - *Purple* dye.
5. Every *artisan* in the city was in a *guild*.

(2) Jesus is bringing this *message* to them.

Rev 2:18 These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

2. The *positive* things Jesus sees in them.

(1) A key thing to *learn* in life: Jesus *knows*.

Rev 2:19 I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance,

1. I know what you've *done*.
2. I know how you've *loved*.
3. I know the *level* of faith you have.
4. I know the way you've *served*.
5. I know where you've shown *endurance*.

(2) Jesus knows they're *growing* in these *areas*.
Rev 2:19 . . . and that you are now doing more than you did at first.

3. The *negative* issues with this *church*.

(1) The church was *tolerating* evil.

Rev 2:20 Nevertheless, I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols.

(2) Jesus gives her *time* to *change* her ways.

Rev 2:21 I have given her time to repent of her immorality, but she is unwilling.

(3) When someone *refuses* to listen they *suffer*.

Rev 2:22 So I will cast her on a bed of suffering, and I will make those who commit adultery with her suffer intensely, unless they repent of her ways. 23 I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds.

4. Jesus *encourages* them to *stay* strong.

(1) Stay *away* from the evil one - *Hold* on to Me.

Rev 2:24 Now I say to the rest of you in Thyatira, to you who do not hold to her teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets, 'I will not impose any other burden on you, except to hold on to what you have until I come.

(2) The one with Jesus *wins* & *leads* with Him.

Rev 2:26 To the one who is victorious and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations— 27 that one 'will rule them with an iron scepter and will dash them to pieces like pottery'—just as I have received authority from my Father. 28 I will also give that one the morning star.