

The Church of Laodicea



Revelation 3:14-22

We Must _____

Next Week Sunday Feb 2
The Faithful Christian
Matthew 25:14-30



“The Faithful Church”
Revelation Ch 2-3

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250th Anniversary



Because God has been faithful to us WE CAN be faithful to Him

7 Churches of Revelation

1. They are _____
2. They are _____
3. They are _____
4. They are _____

Ephesus (2:1-7) - the church that had forsaken its first love.
Smyrna (2:8-11) - the church that would suffer persecution.
Pergamum (2:12-17) - the church that needed to repent.
Thyatira (2:18-29) - the church that had a false prophetess.
Sardis (3:1-6) - the church that had fallen asleep.
Philadelphia (3:7-13) - the church that had endured patiently.
Laodicea (3:14-22) - the church with the lukewarm faith.

1. Endurance (2:1-3)

Hupomone = “to remain under”

a. Faithful Churches _____

Rom 5:3-5 *Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance (hupomone) and endurance produces character and character produces hope...*

Jam 1:2-4 *Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. (hupomone) And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.*

b. Faithful Churches _____ (2:8-11)

Church of Smyrna

- 1. _____ (2:9a)
- 2. _____ (2:9b)
- 3. _____ (2:10a)
- 4. _____ (2:10b)

2. Intolerance (2:18-20)

Tolerant of People - Intolerant of Sin

a. Faithful Churches _____ (2:2a)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

John Baptist: "You brood of vipers!" (Luke 3:7-8)

Jesus: "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like white-washed tombs." (Mat 23:27)

John Disciple: "Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who love and practices lying." (Rev 22:14-15)

Paul: "Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God?" (I Cor 6:9-10)

b. Faithful Churches _____ (2:2b)

3 False Teachings:

- 1. _____ (2:6)
- 2. _____ (2:14-15)
- 3. _____ (2:20-23)

2 Main Tenets:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

3. Obedience (2:18-20)

a. Faithful Churches _____

- 1. Dead Works (3:1-3): _____
- 2. Alive Works (2:19): _____

b. Faithful Churches _____ (3:7-13)

They KEPT God's Word (3:8, 10)

- 1. Leads to _____ (7-8)
- 2. Leads to _____ (9)
- 3. Leads to _____ (10)
- 4. Leads to _____ (11)
- 5. Leads to _____ (12-13)

"Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful
 May the fire of our devotion light their way
 May the footprints that we leave
 Lead them to believe
 And the lives we live inspire them to obey"