

“Revelation #6”

Revelations 2: 18- 29 (Thyatira The Corrupt Church)

Review: Pergamos

- **Strengths:** Loyalty to Christ / Refused to deny Christ!
- **Fault or Rebuke:** The church in Pergamos tolerated the teachings of people within the church who practiced idolatry and sexual immorality. **(Doctrine of Balaam...)**
- **The promise:** They would receive manna from heaven. **(Life giving bread of heaven)** and a white stone with a new name. **(Represented exoneration from guilt)**
- If you adhere to the doctrine of the timeline of the Christian church throughout its lifespan and history. **(Pergamos covers the time from approximately AD131 – AD538)**

Text V18... Read,

“These things says the son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and feet like fine brass.”

- No mincing of words this is the Son of God speaking...
- Eyes like a flame of fire, feet like fine brass.

Thyatira was a commercial center, it was on an important roman road, served as a crucial military post... Well known for its trade guilds of wool, linen, leather, dyers, potters and so on. **(Acts 16:14, 40... speaks of Lydia a seller of purple from Thyatira a Christian)**

- Thyatira represents the church age from AD538 – AD1798.
- Great tribulation, deception, fraud, slander, and false teaching entered the church.

2 Thessalonians 2: 7 – 8 ***“The mystery (Hidden truth) of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken away. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.”***

Psalms 84: 11 ***“For the Lord is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will He withhold from those who walk upright.”***

Proverbs 4: 18 – 19 *“The path of the just is like a shining sun; that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is darkness; like they do not know what makes them stumble.”*

- With that being said, lets look at the next few verses.
- See the contrast between the Just and the wicked...!

Text V's 19 – 23 Read

- V19 They are commended for their works, Love, service, and faith.
- V20 Rebuked because they allowed... that woman Jezebel to teach and seduce.

Who was Jezebel...?

- *Daughter of Ethbaal a high priest of Baal, she was taught to worship Baal.*
- *Became the wife of Ahab king of Israel and taught him to worship Baal.*

1 kings 16: 29 – 33... Read.

Here in Revelation this is a woman within the church that possessed the Jezebel spirit, leading church members astray!

Text V's 24 – 29 Read.

- Even in the midst of false doctrine, Idol worship and immorality...
- God promises... **V24b As many as do not have this doctrine... I will put on you no other burden. (In the midst of gross sin and immorality we can be overcomers!)**
- V25 Jesus says: *“Hold fast till I come.”*
- V's 26 – 29 We have the promise from Jesus...!

Hebrews 10:23 *“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”*

Romans 4: 20 – 22 Read. (Speaking of Abraham)

Verse 28 of our text: *“I will give him the morning star...”*

- What's He mean, what is the morning star? (Revelation 22:16)