

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

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BIBLE PASSAGES - Revelation 2:18-28

18 "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: 'The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

19 "I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first. 20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols.

21 I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality. 22 Behold, I will throw her onto a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her I will throw into great tribulation, unless they repent of her works, 23 and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will give to each of you according to your works. 24 But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some call the deep things of Satan, to you I say, I do not lay on you any other burden. 25 Only hold fast what you have until I come.

26 The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, 27 and he will rule[a] them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father. 28 And I will give him the morning star.

Other Passages: Acts 16:11-40

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

Take a minute and pray as a group for God to speak to you as we read these letters. What does he have for your group? For you individually? For MBIC?

1. Read Acts 16:11-40, how does this passage help illuminate your understanding of Thyatira and the people who lived there?
2. How are you growing in service and serving
3. In Rev. 2:18 it describes God's eyes and feet, what do we know about fire and bronze from the rest of the Bible? What does that tell you about God and who he is?
4. The church was known as a place of love, service, faith and patience, could that be said of you? Of your small group?
5. How do you encourage each other to remain pure? If that is God's exhortation to the church, truly take time to consider how you are walking in purity in all areas of life and can continue that way.

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS