

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for November 25, 2007

The Doctrinally Defective Church
Revelation 2:18-29
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We will examine 6 aspects of the message to the church in Thyatira so that we might understand the characteristics which Christ desires His church to possess.

I. We must understand the Commission to write to the church in Thyatira (Revelation 2:18).

- What was the city of Thyatira like?
- When was the church in Thyatira founded?

II. We must understand the Correspondent of the letter to the church in Thyatira (Revelation 2:18).

- First, the identity of the correspondent is disclosed.
- Second, the eyes of the correspondent are described.
- Third, the feet of the correspondent are described.

III. We must understand the Commendation given to the Church in Thyatira (Revelation 2:19).

- First, they were commended for their love.
- Second, they were commended for their faith.
- Third, they were commended for their service.
- Fourth, they were commended for their perseverance.

IV. We must understand the Condemnation given to the Church in Thyatira (Revelation 2:20-23).

- There were present problems in the church at Thyatira (Revelation 2:20).

1) The first aspect of the present problems in Thyatira was compromise.

2) The second aspect of the present problems in Thyatira was counterfeit teaching.

What was the identity of the false teacher?

What were the ingredients of the false teaching?

What was the impact of the false teaching?

- The past proceedings in the Church at Thyatira (Revelation 2:21).
- The predicted punishment for the Church at Thyatira (Revelation 2:22-23).
 - 1) There will be a future punishment for Jezebel.
 - 2) There will be a future punishment for those deceived by Jezebel.
 - 3) There will be a future punishment for the children of Jezebel.

V. We must understand the Counsel given to the church in Thyatira (Revelation 2:24-25).

Christ's counsel, His prescription for correction was a command. It was a command to hold fast until He returns.

VI. We must understand the Challenge given to the overcomers in Thyatira (Revelation 2:26-29).

First, this challenge involved a promise of Christ's power.

Second, this challenge involved a promise of Christ's presence.

Let us be thankful to God that Valley Bible Church is a doctrinally sound church focusing on the truth of God's Word rather than tolerating false teaching in our midst.