

REVELATION 2b. THERE SHALL BE FALSE TEACHERS AMONG YOU06-14-20LightHouse Ranch ChurchJames Porteous

Review of Important Sermon Points

- **1. Your first love**
- 2. Your walk of holiness
- 3. You and the Word of God (Jud_1:3)

(2Pe 2:1) But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. (2Pe 2:2) And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. (2Pe 2:3) And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

| Church Condition | Description and Characteristics | Admonishments | Solution |
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| Ephesus Backslidden Rev 2:1-7 | Excellent in works, discerning false teachers, and in holding to sound doctrine but they had left their first love, religious but void of God's love. | (Rev 2:5) Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent. | (Eph_3:16-19), (Pro_8:17), (Joh_13:1), (Joh_13:34-35) |
| Smyrna Persecuted Rev 2:8-11 | Materially poor but rich in God, enduring many fiery trials, humbly serving, and powerful in the Holy Spirit amongst false brethren | (Rev 2:10) Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. | (1Pe_1:3-7), (Act_14:21-22), (Act_9:15-16), (Rom_8:17), (Php_1:29), (1Th_3:3-4), (2Ti_3:12), (1Pe_4:19) |
| Pergamos Spiritual fornication Rev 2:12- 17 | Freedom gospel – anything goes, lured by the world, hired preachers for gain, disobedient, immoral, separatist teaching. | (Rev 2:16) Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. (2Pe_2:1-3) | (Heb_12:14), (Mat_5:20), (Mat_7:21), (1Co_6:9-10), (2Pe_2:15), (Jud_1:11) |

| Thyratira Careless Rev 2:18- 29 | False prophets and teachers, seducing messages, tolerating immorality and disobedience but also those who do not subscribe to the church's evil practices | (Rev_2:22-23) Great tribulation to those who do not repent (Rev_2:24-25) To the faithful hold fast till I come | (2Ti_3:5), (Rom_6:16), (Jer_5:21-23), (Eze_13:3), (Mat_7:26-27), (Mat_25:8-9), (Rom_1:21), (Gal_3:1) |
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| Sardis Dead Rev 3:1-6 | Spiritually dead, without the Holy Spirit, worldwide religious appeal, empty ceremonies, no deliverances, take liberties with the Word of God, pagan practices, idol worship | (Rev 3:3) Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee. | (Act_11:23), (Mat_3:2), (Mar_6:12), (Luk_13:2-5), (Luk_17:3-4), (Act_3:19), (Act_26:20) |
| Philadelphia Revived Rev 3:7-13 | (Rev 3:8) I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. | (Rev 3:11) Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. | (Rev_3:10), (1Th_5:21), (2Ti_1:13), (Heb_3:6), (Heb_4:14), (Heb_10:23-27) |
| Laodicea Lukewarm Rev 3:14- 22 | (Rev_3:15-16), (Rev 3:17) Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: | (Rev 3:18) I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. (Rev 3:19) As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. | (Psa_19:7-9), (Psa_19:10-11), (Act_4:31), (Act_19:16-20), (1Th_2:13), (1Pe_1:22-23) |