



## THYATIRA: THE CORRUPT CHURCH

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*“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. <sup>19</sup> I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first. <sup>20</sup> 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. <sup>21</sup> I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality. <sup>22</sup> 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, <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> 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. <sup>25</sup> Only hold fast what you have until I come. <sup>26</sup> The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, <sup>27</sup> and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father. <sup>28</sup> And I will give him the morning star.<sup>29</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.’” REVELATION 2:18-29 ESV*

Things are not always \_\_\_\_\_ in a church.

## Jezebel of Thyatira

The name “Jezebel” is synonymous with pagan idolatry, sorcery, sexual immorality, and \_\_\_\_\_.

*“In the territory of Jezreel the dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel, and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as dung on the face of the field in the territory of Jezreel, so that no one can say, ‘This is Jezebel.’”* 2 KINGS 9:36-37

Jezebel of Thyatira was a \_\_\_\_\_ who taught people it was okay to mingle Christianity with \_\_\_\_\_; some called her teaching the “\_\_\_\_\_.”

*“But to the rest of you in Thyatira ... only hold fast what you have until I come.”*  
REVELATION 2:24-25

Three of the seven churches are told to “\_\_\_\_\_,” which means to grasp firmly, guard, and protect.

## Rewards for Conquering Corruption

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*Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.*

GALATIANS 6:7-8 ESV