

Sermon Questions

Revelation 3:14-22

This week we studied the seventh and final church mentioned in the book of Revelation. The uniqueness to this letter was that it was the only church where no strengths were mentioned. This lukewarm body of believers had made the Lord nauseous because of their lethargy and complacency. They didn't care that Jesus Christ was prominent in their church even though he was standing outside the church knocking on the door. While this church received no commendation, Jesus was still trying to come in so that He could experience a relationship with this church. In our culture today, this message is needed as we continue in our journey with Christ.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

The Structure of the Letters

1. Recipient
2. Attribute of Christ
3. Strengths
4. Weaknesses
5. Challenge
6. Promise for the Listener

The Apathetic

Revelation 3:14-21

Honor Jesus Christ in His Church because He is...

Worthy (14)

Sick of your lethargy (15-16)

Able to diagnose and remedy your condition (17-19)

Seeking a relationship (20-22)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it here. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email to

info@bravechurch.co and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. What do you know about the city of Laodicea? How had its wealth become a hinderance to them embracing the Gospel?
2. How is Jesus Christ identified to this church? What does it mean that Jesus is "THE" Amen? Why should the word "amen" be used? How is Jesus "THE" faithful and true witness? What is the significance of Jesus being the beginning of creation of God? Why would Jesus want to identify himself in this way to the church in Laodicea?
3. What is significant about no strengths being mentioned about this church? How would you feel as a member of this church had this letter been read in your presence?
4. Why would Jesus use the analogy of the hot and cold water with this group of people? How familiar were the people of Laodicea with luke-warm water? Why would Jesus prefer hot or cold to luke-warm? How was their spiritual temperature making Jesus nauseous? Why should we allow the Lord to take our spiritual temperature?
5. Why was Jesus promising to spit them out of his mouth? How sickened is Jesus by our complacency? Where in your life is Jesus not getting your best? Why? Where and how have you been duped into believing that God is satisfied with your sin?
6. Compare and contrast the Laodiceans view of their church with those of Jesus. How did the church in Laodicea view themselves? How did Jesus view them? What does it mean to be wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked?
7. How keen is God on the prosperity gospel? What did Jesus instruct the church to do? How may have the Laodiceans falsely believed that they already had everything they needed?
8. How importance is repentance from sin and faith in Christ? Why would Jesus be calling this church to be earnest and repentant?
9. Where do we discover that Jesus is standing in relation to this church? Why is He outside the church? How did He get there? What is He doing while He is outside? What does this tell you about Christ's love for His church?
10. Why is Jesus Christ knocking on the door of the church? Why does He want to come inside? What benefit would there be of the church opening its doors to Him? Why do so many churches today keep Jesus on the outside?

11. What does He promise to the overcomers? Why should we have spiritual ears to listen to what Christ is saying? How does this apply to us?

12. What has God specifically showed you through this teaching? What is he asking you to do? To become? How are you allowing God to make changes in your life?