



A Study of Revelation

The Seven Churches of Asia: Revelation 1-3

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The message to the church at Thyatira: Revelation 2:18-29

1. What Thyatira was like (ISBE):
 - a. "Thyatira was a wealthy town in the northern part of Lydia. It stood on none of the Greek trade routes ... but was never a metropolis."
 - b. "It was regarded as a holy city, for there stood the temple of the ancient Lydian sun-god, Tyrimnos; about it games were held in his honor. A goddess associated with him was Boreatene, a deity of less importance. Another temple at Thyatira was dedicated to Sambethe, and at this shrine was a prophetess, by some supposed to represent the Jezebel of Revelation 2:20, who uttered the sayings which this deity would impart to the worshippers."
 - c. "Thyatira was specially noted for the trade guilds which were probably more completely organized there than in any other ancient city. Powerful among them was the guild of coppersmiths; another was the guild of the dyers, who, it is believed, made use of the madder-root instead of shell-fish for making the purple dyestuffs. A member of this guild seems to have been Lydia of Thyatira, who, according to Acts 16:14, sold her dyes in Philippi."
2. The only other reference, outside of Revelation, in the Bible is in Acts 16:14. Lydia was in Philippi and sold purple. Lydia was from Thyatira: "She was a seller of purple from the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God. The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul."

3. Revelation 2:18-29

- a. How is Jesus described in the message to this church? _____

- b. Jesus knew their:
- i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
 - iv. _____
 - v. _____
 - vi. What was known about their first and last works? _____

- c. The Lord had something against them because of what they ALLOWED.
- i. A woman is described and was named _____.
 - ii. She called herself a _____.
 - iii. What did she teach and seduce the Lord's servants to do? _____

- d. Jesus makes some things clear concerning Jezebel and her followers:
- i. He would cast HER into a _____.
 - ii. Those who commit adultery WITH her would be cast into _____
_____ unless they _____.
 - iii. Jesus will kill her children with _____.
 - iv. What would all this cause the churches to know? _____

 - v. Jesus would give to each one according to their _____.
- e. Notice words of comfort to those who were not guilty of these things:
- i. He will put on them no other _____.
 - ii. They are told to _____ till He comes.
- f. Those who overcome and keep His _____ to the _____:
- i. Will receive power over the _____.
 - ii. Will rule with a _____ of _____ and the
nations will be _____ to pieces.
 - iii. Will receive the morning _____.
- g. Who is to hear this message? _____