Revelation Series: Revelation 3:14-22

Week of March 24th, 2024

<u>Text</u>

Have someone read aloud **Revelation 3:14-22**.

Have you ever heard the expression "lukewarm Christian"? Most probably know this is not a desirable state of faith, but in the letter to the church at Laodicea, we see how serious this is. Jesus's reaction of vomiting out those that are lukewarm is quite jarring. How can we guard against lukewarm Christianity, and if we have fallen prey to it, what can we do? Thankfully, the Lord is knocking on the door of our hearts, and his calls to repentance are consistent. We only need to respond in repentance and accept the free-flowing gifts of God's grace. Chief among these is His presence in our lives.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Would you rather have a hot beverage on a cold day or a cold beverage on a hot day? Explain why?
- 2. How would you describe the problem that the church in Laodicea had? What are the symptoms of a "lukewarm Christian"?
- 3. Why does Jesus react so strongly to lukewarm Christians?

Have someone read aloud <u>Isaiah 29:13</u>.

- 4. What does Isaiah's warning to the Israelites about going through the motions tell us, and how did lukewarm faith affect them?
- 5. According to Jesus, what is the fix for lukewarm faith, and what are the concrete steps he tells us to take in this passage and throughout scripture?



Application Questions

- 1. What steps should we be taking in our lives to avoid ending up like the church at Laodicea?
- 2. Are there areas of your faith where you feel lukewarm? Why?
- 3. What steps do you need to take today to keep yourself from lukewarm faith or repent for it?

Prayer

At the end of your conversation, spend some time praying as a group. Here are some prompts:

- 1. Pray that we will resist lukewarm faith and instead be passionate and bold in serving the Kingdom of God.
- 2. Pray this scripture over your group. <u>Romans 12:1-2</u>

Additional Resources and Information

Here are some additional resources for this week's topics and texts.

Blue Letter Bible

Linked below are the Blue Letter Bible resources. Blue Letter Bible helps you go deeper in studying God's word with free resources like commentaries, interlinear (original languages), dictionaries, and cross-references.

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