**Early Morning Bible Study January 19-March 2, 2022**

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 ***Overcoming: Jesus’ Challenge to His Church—7 Communities of Revelation Lesson 4***

 **Living in Purity for Jesus: Thyatira Revelation 2:18-29**

 **“*Only hold fast what you have until I come.” Revelation 2:25***

1. **Jesus Commends His People’s Commitment—Revelation 2:18-19**
2. **Jesus Commands His People’s Purity—Revelation 2:20-25**
3. **Jesus Confers Honor on His People Who Hold Fast—Revelation 2:26-29**

**Questions for Conversation**

1. Look again at Revelation 2:18, Jesus’ words about the church at Thyatira. From only what you read in that verse, how would you describe the church? What do you see about the Lord Jesus?
2. What difference do you see between the problem at the church in Thyatira and the trouble with the church of Pergamum? What about the two churches was similar, and what do you learn about Jesus and His care for His people?
3. Why was the woman who called herself a prophetess named “Jezebel” in this message? (Read 1 Kings 16:29-33; 21:25) What evidence do you see (Revelation 2:21) of the Lord’s patience with this woman in Thyatira?
4. The Lord’s warning of judgment in this message was severe. What are your thoughts about a warning like this? What do you learn about the character of God the Son?
5. How did the Lord Jesus describe those in Thyatira who receive His reward? How can we apply this?
6. The Lord again challenges all who hear or read this message to “hear what the Spirit says to the churches.” How could a situation like the one in Thyatira develop among believers today? How would a church or a believer avoid this?
7. How are you helped, encouraged, or amazed by the rewards the Lord promised here?
8. What warning or strengthening truth from the Lord Jesus’ message to Thyatira will you apply to your life?

 **Next week: February 16—** **Authenticity in Jesus—Sardis—Revelation 3:1-6**