

Revelation

Chapters 2-3

God's
message to
the Seven
Churches



Read the 2nd and 3rd Chapters

Spend some time in prayer, asking for wisdom and understanding

There are some terms in these chapters to discuss.

- a. Nicolaitans – I have seen two definitions as what this refers to. As you read the chapters does one or the other fit better for you?
 - a. Those who teach that you are permitted to commit any sin as a Christian, that sin doesn't matter as Jesus has covered it all.*
 - b. The other is that this is referring to the assignment of a hierarchy in the Church, with those above "lording" it over the those below (biblestudy.org)**
- b. Balaam
 - a. He is a character from the book of Numbers (Ch. 22-24)
 - i. He was a person who knew of God and accepted payment to attack the Israelites as they made their way from Egypt to the Promised Land. Balaam could not curse them, but taught their enemies to cause them to sin before God.***
- c. Jezebel
 - a. Queen of the northern kingdom of Israel (married to Ahab). She is one of the most evil characters in the Bible. She tried to kill all of the prophets of God. She desires to corrupt the worship of God.**

1. *Church in Ephesus (2:1-7)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right? (3 things)*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus say will happen if they still do wrong?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

2. *Church in Smyrna (2:8-11)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *How does Jesus encourage them?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

3. *Church in Pergamum (2:12-17)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus say will happen if they still do wrong?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

4. *Church in Thyatira (2:18-29)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus encourage them to do?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

5. *Church in Sardis (3:1-6)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus encourage them to do?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

6. *Church in Philadelphia (3:7-13)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus encourage them to do?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

7. *Church in Laodicea (3:14-22)*

a. *How did Jesus describe Himself in his letter to the Church?*

b. *What is the Church doing right?*

c. *What is the Church doing wrong?*

d. *What does Jesus encourage them to do?*

e. *What is promised to them?*

Your Questions or Thoughts