

# Dear Church - Thyatira

## Letters to the Seven Churches of Revelation

### Revelation 2:18-29

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#### Color Commentary

- Thyatira was home to the worship of Apollo.  
(God of music and prophecy)
  - Only time Jesus refers to himself as the son of God.
- Apollo was associated with oracles (like Delphi).
  - Deep truths caused by an ecstatic state.
- Jesus says, “I am the one, grounded in truth, who sees your soul and the future.”
- Bible Note: Thyatira is the longest letter – the center of a chiasm.
- In every culture where Christianity has risen to prominence, a Thyatira spirit has marked the decline.

#### Commendation Interrupted by Correction

- Good works without the gospel allows good feelings to replace God.  
(Gal 6:1, 2 Tim 3:1-9)
- A lack of discipline allowed “Jezebel” to replace Jesus.
  - The Slide:
    - Desire for position or power replaces purpose.
    - Desire to be “deep” replaces our devotion.
    - The Church becomes known as much for its secret sin as it’s service.

#### The Call

REPENT!

In Thyatira, good standing came at a great cost - Jesus calls them to be “good for nothing”!

#### To the Overcomer

- I will give you authority.
  - “You will reign with me.”
- I will give you the morning star. . . (Rev 22:16,17)
  - I will give you. . . **ME!**