



To the Church in Thyatira | Revelation
2:18-28
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Tips and Tricks:

The sermon notes are designed to be used as a guide for discussion. Don't feel like you have to use every question. Some questions will take a while to work through and others will be over in a few seconds.

Don't teach the lesson. The sermon was just preached. Just ask the questions and let everyone else talk.

Let other people ask questions. It's OK to go "off topic" for a while. Sometimes those conversations are more interesting anyway! Have fun. Don't forget to laugh and crack up. Relationships, not curriculum, are the heartbeat of our ministry. Remember: We have to build a relational bridge strong enough to hold the truth!

Agenda for Group Time

Ice Breaker - Lighthearted ice breaker question (10 minutes)
Discussion - Bible study, sharing and application. (25 Minutes)
Prayer - Pray together (5 minutes)
Planning - Remember to talk about what's coming up.

Icebreaker: What person or group influenced you the most in your teenage years?

Read Revelation 2:18-28

The Praise:

What is the church in Thyatira doing well with?
What kind of life is described there?

Thyatira is praised for their ordinary Christian service. How have you seen ordinary acts accomplish extraordinary things?

The Problem:

What is the problem of the church in Thyatira?

Compare the problems of the church in Thyatira to the church in Pergamum, how are they different?

The problem with Thyatira, and often with us, is that Christ no longer seems like He is "enough", like something else needs to be added on.

Question: Where in life can it be most difficult to see that Christ is enough?

- When things are going well, and we forgot that we needed Him in the first place
- When everything's falling apart completely, and it seems like God isn't there to help
- When everything is totally normal and mundane, and we forget what the highs and lows are like
- Other: _____

What is alluring about "adding on" to Christ? What does this passage in revelation have to say about what the results will be?

The Promise:

Christ promises that he who overcomes will rule the nations. What does that have to do with the problems they are facing?

What is Christ's exhortation to the church (see v. 25)?

What is Christ's promised reward- the Morningstar? (Read Revelation 22:16)

Christ is both the power by which we endure, and the reward we have for enduring.

How have you seen glimpses of that reward in this life?

Question: Christ's encouragement to the Thyratians is to persist in ordinary Christian life. What aspects of ordinary life come easy, which can prove to be a challenge?

- To love, especially when its not shown back
- To forgive, especially when we have to do it 70 times
- To be devoted, especially when so many things demand our attention
- To persevere, especially when so many are against us
- Other: _____

Work It Out!

One thing I'll do differently because of this sermon:
