

A Rich Church: Part 2 – 11/12/23

Review: High Priest setting the Lampstands in order

2 Tasks: filling & trimming = encourage & exhort / correct & warn

Evaluation letters for the benefit of all true churches

You are neither cold nor hot but lukewarm

For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing

The Lord councils the church

I counsel you: to offer advice (recommended new conduct)

Buy from Me: do business with the Lord

Gold refined by fire so that you may be rich (famous for banking)

White garments (famous for black garments)

Salve to anoint your eyes so that you may see (Med school salve)

The Lord exhorts the church

Those whom I love I reprove and discipline

So be zealous and repent

Behold, I stand at the door and knock: Two interpretations

Wrong: Christ knocks at the door of the sinner's heart

Right: Christ knocks at the door of the church

If anyone hears My voice and opens the door

I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with Me

The Lord's Promise of Hope for Laodicea

The one who conquers: by uncompromising faithfulness to the Lord

I will grant to sit with me on My throne (royal privilege)

As I also conquered and sat down with My Father on His throne

Exhortation: He who has an ear, let him hear... to the churches

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