

The Christ-less Church: Laodicea

Revelation 3:14-22

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Jesus comes to Church:

Let's Review:

- Ephesus He found **loveless**
- Smyrna He found **rich**
- Pergamus He found **tolerant**
- Thyatira He found **relevant**
- Sardis He found **lifeless**
- Philadelphia he found **blameless**
- Laodicea He found **that he wasn't welcome**

All churches need to know:

1. Who Jesus is (verse 14)
 - a. The **final** word
 - b. The **faithful** witness
 - c. The **first** cause
2. What Jesus discovers (verses 15-17)
 - a. A church with **possession** problems
 - b. A church with **passion** problems
 - c. A church with **perception** problems
 - d. A church with **poverty** problems
3. What Jesus advises (verses 18-19)
 - a. Don't trust in **material preparations** for your spiritual needs.
(Luke 12:20)
 - b. Don't doubt God's love in time of **reproof and correction**
(Proverbs 3:11-12)
 - c. Don't hesitate to **repent** of heartless religion (Matt 15:7-8)
4. What Jesus promises (verses 20-21)
 - a. He seeks you **presently** - I stand at the door and knock
 - b. He seeks you **personally** – If anyone hears and opens the door
 - c. He seeks you **offering a position** – to the overcomer a place to sit on his throne (1 John 5:5)

Verse 22 – You have heard the sermon but did you get the message?