

In This Together: Laodicea

Remain Useful

Revelation 3:14-22
Pastor Chris Lenhart – 8/11/24



Opening Thought Question:

What remedies does Jesus provide for congregations that are blind and indifferent to their true condition as ill and ineffective witnesses?

Faithful and True Words... (14)

Given to a very sick Church... (15-17)

Conditions of Sick and/or Ineffective Congregations...

- 1.
- 2.

Jesus shares the remedy... (18-20)

7 remedies for congregations seeking to remain a faithful and true witness for Jesus.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

*Further exploration: Read Colossians 3:12-17 "What should we wear?"

Are we listening? (21-22)

Further Study

Ephesians
Rev. 1-3

Rev. 19:8
Col. 3:12-17
Heb. 4:12
Is. 55:10-11
Jn. 9
Heb. 12:6
Rom. 2:4
2 Pet. 3:9
Matt. 28:20

Next Week: Global Partner Matt

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<p style="text-align: center;">In This Together: Laodicea</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Remain Useful</p> <p>Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide</p>	<p>Rev. 3:14-22</p>
<p>Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with Prayer -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> – Revelation 3:14-22</p> <p><u>Questions for Reflection & Discussion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In what ways do faithful congregations function as cold water and hot water? What is wrong with lukewarm congregations? (vss. 15-16) 2. What was the Laodicean church saying about itself, and how is it contrasted to their true condition as exposed by Jesus? How can the Church today keep aware of and be honest regarding our true condition? (vs. 17) 3. Make observations about the counsel or advice that Jesus gives to the church to help remedy their condition. Discuss each of the remedies. How are these remedies useful for congregations present in our current age? (vss. 18-20) 4. What does Jesus say about love and discipline? How has Jesus demonstrated this in his letters to the seven churches? 5. How does Jesus describe the reward for those who overcome? Why is the reward a hopeful reminder for the church today? <p><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God? 2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another? 3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life? 4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community? 	<p><u>Further Study</u></p> <p>Ephesians Rev. 1-3 Rev. 19:8 Col. 3:12-17 Heb. 4:12 Is. 55:10-11 Jn. 9 Heb. 12:6 Rom. 2:4 2 Pet. 3:9 Matt. 28:20</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>