

Don't Sell Your Soul

Revelation 2:18-23

Through John, Jesus tells the church at Thyatira that he knows their good deeds, love, faith, and perseverance. They serve and do good works, but they tolerate Jezebel who calls herself a prophetess. She leads them into sexual immorality and eating foods sacrificed to idols. She became a stumbling block rather than a source of encouragement.

Thyatira was a trade city with skilled workers. They had unions and banquets with food sacrificed to idols. This food was eaten and also sold in the marketplace. In addition to this, they engaged in drinking and sex on these occasions.

Jezebel licensed sin in the lives of the people. As saints we have to be careful who we listen to, follow and associate with. Sometimes we find ourselves selling our soul for a good time or promises of prosperity and the like. There are things that saints should not tolerate and specifically people who lead you away from God.

Envision where you are going in life and see if it is in alignment with God. Will it glorify him? Do the people, places, or situations strengthen your relationship with God? We have to set boundaries and know where to draw the line.

If we resist the devil he will flee. We have to recognize the Jezebels in our lives and resist them. Don't acquaint yourself with people who will turn you against God. Don't get in bed with Jezebel. God gave her time to repent and she would not. He said

he would cast her on a bed of suffering. If you align yourself with her that will be your fate also.

If you find yourself in that predicament, repent, turn from your wicked ways and return back to God. He will forgive you. Don't sell your soul to the devil.