

Laodicea: The Kind of Church that Needs Revival

I. Marks of Being Lukewarm

- A. *Indecisiveness* – “Thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot.”
- B. *A False Estimate of Prosperity* – “Thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:”
- C. *Spirituality of Little Depth* – “I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich.”
- D. *Blindness and Lack of Discernment* – “Anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.”

II. Warnings to Lukewarm Christianity

- A. *The Disgust and Judgment of God* – “I will spue thee out of my mouth.”
- B. *Shameful Exposure* – “Thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear.”

III. Solutions to Lukewarm Christianity

- A. *Buy Lasting Treasure* – “I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich.”
- B. *Deal With Shamefulness* – “I counsel thee to buy of me... white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear.”
- C. *Renew Spiritual Discernment* – “Anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.”
- D. *Make Christ Central Once Again* – “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”
- E. *Renew Spiritual Zeal* – “Be zealous, therefore.”
- F. *Repent* – “repent.”
- G. *Listen to God's Word* – “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”

IV. Incentive for Revival

- A. *The God Who Commands It* – “These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God. I know thy works...”
- B. *The Throne that Awaits It* – To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.”