



Letters To The Seven Churches

Revelation 2-3

The Church in Pergamum

Revelation 2:12-17

Map of Pergamum



Alter to Zeus



Temple to Asclepius



Problem

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- Every citizen was expected to offer incense and declare “Caesar is Lord.”
- Satan had found a place where he could exercise his evil influence.
- Today, we are apt to find Satan hiding in places of cultural influence, in universities, in politics, and in areas of economics.
- All the martyrs, known and unknown by humanity, are known by Christ and are experiencing their reward.

Shortcoming

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- The church at Pergamum stopped practicing church discipline.
 - The church at Pergamum refused to kick out the false teachers.
 - The church at Pergamum became too open minded as to what was acceptable in order to keep the church together.
 - In many churches where false doctrine is taking hold, the people do not see it happening.
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Jesus' Command

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- Christ takes personal offense when His church condones immorality within its walls.
 - In the name of open-mindedness and toleration, churches have subtly compromised the Gospel.
 - Jesus warns that if the church does not take strong action, He will do it Himself.
 - The ultimate goal of the church is to help each person grow as a Christian.
 - Jesus' "*double-edged sword*" speaks of His unswerving and unsparing judgment.
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Conclusion

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- Hidden manna, in verse 17, speaks of personal communion with God.
- The white stone speaks of acquittal and purity.
- We will each be known by the Lord as a husband and wife knows one another.
- *Letters To The Seven Churches*
The Word of God and the teaching of God, must be taken seriously.
- *Revelation 2-3*
We cannot help sinners by saying sin is not sinful.
- If people call us narrow-minded, let us take it as a compliment and stay the course.