

JESUS AT THE CENTER OF THE CHURCH

Indulgent
Message 4

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► Outline

... if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. ...

Galatians 6:1 (NLT)

A. Introduction

(Revelation 2:18. C/R: Acts 16:12-15)

B. Jesus' guidance to the church at Thyatira included...

(Revelation 2:19-29)

1. _____.
(Revelation 2:19. C/R: Galatians 5:22-25; James 2:17-18; 2 Peter 1:5-8)

2. _____.
(Revelation 2:20-21. C/R: 1 Kings 16:30-31; 21:25; 1 Corinthians 5:9-11; 6:18-20; James 5:19-20)

3. _____.
(Revelation 2:22-23. C/R: Romans 2:5-8; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Philippians 3:18-19; 1 Peter 4:17)

4. _____.
(Revelation 2:24-29. C/R: 1 Corinthians 6:2-3; 2 Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 4:14; 2 Peter 1:19)

Answers: 1. Commendation 2. Confrontation 3. Consequences 4. Challenge

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

When you think about Jesus, describe the image that comes to mind.

Prayer

Spend a few minutes in prayer, leaving time for God to speak to you. Ask for Him to reveal His truth to you as you study.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read Revelation 2:18-29

1. Jesus commends the church of Thyatira for four things they've done well. How do you exhibit each of these in your life?

- Love
- Faith
- Service
- Patient Endurance

2. What are the Fruit of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22-25? Describe someone you know who exemplifies one or more of these attributes.

3. Jesus describes *that Jezebel who calls herself a prophet* in the church as one who is leading the people astray. Describe a time when you saw a leader who did this. What was the outcome of their actions?

4. The Jezebel in this letter was given the opportunity to repent but refused. What does true repentance mean to you? Where in your life do you need repentance? Take time to pray to God about it.

5. The Christians in Thyatira were indulgent and permissive of the followers of this Jezebel and their immoral ways. What are you indulging in your life? What changes can you make and focus back on Jesus?

6. Jesus was clear about the consequences resulting from these actions. Describe a time when you sinned or didn't follow God's direction and the consequences that followed.

7. Even as Jesus told them of the consequences to come, He still offered a chance to repent. How does it strengthen you to know Jesus loves you that much and He still desires to be close to you?

8. Jesus tells the people of this church to hold tight to Him in all things. What areas do you need to strengthen to stay anchored to Jesus?

Daily Devotional

Spend time with God each day this week reading the Daily Devotional. If you do not have a Daily Devotional book, you can pick one up at the Information Desk or the Reception Desk or view it on the Brookwood app.

Memory Verse

Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself.

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Daily Reading

Day 1: Revelation 2:18

Day 5: 1 Corinthians 6:18

Day 2: Galatians 5:16-17

Day 6: Proverbs 23:19-21

Day 3: Revelation 2:19

Day 7: Revelation 2:24-25

Day 4: Revelation 2:20-23a

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, September 10, we'll continue our series *Jesus at the Center of the Church*. Prepare by reading **Revelation 3:1-6**.

