

Laodicea: Foolishly Counterfeited Truth **Revelation 3:14-22**

I. PICTURE: "the Amen...faithful and true" (v.14)

A. Destination: "the church of Laodicea"

B. Description: "the Amen...beginning of the creation"

1. Certain: "the Amen"
2. Credible: "the faithful and true witness"
3. Creator: "the beginning of the creation of God"

II. PRAISE: *No Commendation Given* (only church not praised)

III. PROBLEM: "I know your deeds" (vv.15-17)

A. Assessment: "neither cold nor hot" (vv.15-16)

1. Lukewarm: "neither hot or cold"
2. Loathsome: "I will spit you out of My mouth"

B. Actuality: "you do not know that ..." (v.17)

1. Declaration: "you say I am rich...wealthy...need of nothing"
2. Destitution: "you do not know...wretched...miserable...poor"

IV. PRESCRIPTION: "be zealous...repent" (vv.18-19, 22)

A. Counsel: "buy from Me" (v.18)

1. True Faith: "gold refined by fire" (James 2:5)
2. True Righteousness: "white garments" (Revelation 16:15; 19:8)
3. True Discernment: "eye salve" (John 3:19; Ephesians 1:18)

B. Charge: "be zealous" (v.19a)

C. Change: "repent" (v.19b)

D. Comply: "hear what the Spirit says" (v.22)

V. PROMISE: "He who overcomes..." (vv.20-21)

A. Respond: "hears...opens...I will come in" (v.20)

B. Reign: "I will grant...My throne" (v.21)

