



Jealous Lover

Revelation 2:18-29

The Bottom Line: Remember Whose you are.

Introduction:

We have all done things out of fear that we begin to believe is okay but end up regretting much later down the road.

When presented with the opportunity to do something which you know you should not do, what factors contribute to your decision for whether or not you will participate?

Today, we pick back up our series, *Dear Church*.

Truth:

Thyatira was not an overly exciting city, but it hosted plenty of opportunities where the church could compromise. Unfortunately, Jesus says the believers at Thyatira were not only giving in to sin but promoting it as well. **Look with me at Revelation 2:18-29.**

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Application & Conclusion:

Remember Whose you are. Remember to Whom you belong. Remember Who loves and cares for you most. He is the One you live for. He is the One you love.

When temptation comes your way, do not give in due to fear. Do not entertain pros/cons. Just say over yourself, “I belong to Jesus.”

I cannot talk like that. I cannot carry myself that way. I cannot watch that movie. I cannot do another round of drinks. I cannot vote for that candidate. Whatever it is – not because of rules, but because of allegiance. My heart, soul, mind, and strength belong to Jesus. I am committed to Him.

At the end of the day, none of these other things are working for my good, but Jesus is working for my good. He will take care of me when the world no longer does. He will embrace me when the people around me do not.

The believer’s testimony is consistent in private and in public, in word and in deed: “I am His and He is mine.”

Reflection Questions:

1. What does this teach me about God?

2. What does this teach me about me?

3. How do I apply this to my life?