"What Does Jesus Want to Say to Our Church? Laodicea : The Self-Satisfied Church"

Sunday, November 23, 2025, 10:30 a.m.
Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI
Pastor Jonathan DeCou
Revelation 3:14-22

BIG IDEA: Be aware of what truly matters most.

"I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot."

I wish that you were cold or hot."

Revelation 3:15 (CSB)

- The Commission. (v14a)
- The <u>Character</u>. (v14b)
 - Jesus is God's <u>sure</u> foundation.
 - o Jesus is God's star witness.
 - Jesus is God's <u>singular</u> <u>source</u>.
- The Commendation.
 - <u>None!</u>
- The <u>Condemnation</u>. (v15-17)
 - o Jesus is grieved by indifference.
 - Jesus is grieved by <u>ignorance</u>.

- The Command. (v18-20)
 - Get your <u>priorities</u> in <u>order</u>.
 - Don't keep Jesus on the <u>outside</u>.
- The Challenge. (v21)
 - Overcomers receive royal privilege.
- The <u>Call</u>. (v22)
 - A letter to one church.
 - A message for all.

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Read: Re-read Revelation 3:14-22

Think: Consider Jesus' words to this church, and then ask yourself the following questions: What is your favorite cold thirst-quencher? What is your favorite warm beverage? What does the "faithful and true witness" see when he looks at the Laodicean church? How does the church view itself? Why the stark contrast? What does Jesus tell them to do in verse 18? Why? What does this say about true wealth? How would you describe Christ, based on what you have read and learned in the seven letters to the seven churches in Asia Minor? How does this expand the picture of Jesus Christ revealed in the Gospels?

Do: If Jesus took your spiritual temperature today, what would He find? Why? What is Jesus waiting for at the door of your life? Why not let Him in, if need be?