

The One Who Examines | Revelation 2:18-29

Study Questions

Jesus commends the church because their "later works" exceeded their first (v. 19). What does this progression suggest about the nature of spiritual maturity compared to the church in Ephesus, whose love grew cold?

The church is praised for its love, faith, service, and patient endurance. Which of these four areas do you see as a current strength in your life, and which needs more growth?

In this passage, Jesus identifies tolerance as a negative trait (v. 20). How do you define the balance between being loving and holding firm to biblical convictions without becoming "more tolerant than God"?

Whether literal or figurative, "Jezebel" led believers into compromise with pagan culture. What are some "deceptive beliefs" in our current culture that might tempt the modern church to compromise its holiness?

Jesus says He gave "Jezebel" time to repent, but she refused (v. 21). What does this tell us about Christ's character and the significance of repentance in the life of a believer?

Christians in Thyatira often had to join trade guilds that required participating in pagan rituals to keep their jobs. Do you see similar pressures on Christians today to compromise their faith for professional or social advancement?