

WELLSPRING

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Revelation Church in Thyatira Reflection Questions 04/07/2024

1. When a book in the New Testament is actually a letter of correspondence, how does that differ from other books of the New Testament?
2. Jesus says that the believers in Thyatira were doing more now than when they first became Christians. Could that statement be said about you? Are you serving more, loving more and persevering more when compared to the past?
3. Jesus rebukes those in Thyatira for tolerating the teaching of the woman Jezebel. Discuss this statement: "When we tolerate what is wrong, we will end up contaminating what is right."
4. Discuss the classic and current definition of the word tolerance:
Classic Tolerance: to recognize and respect others' beliefs and practices without sharing them.
Current Tolerance: to affirm all beliefs as equally valid and correct
5. How does the current definition of tolerance impact us as Christians? How does it affect right vs wrong, good vs evil and the Biblical claims of truth?
6. With all the discussion of tolerance vs intolerance in our culture, do you feel that we live in an age of greater tolerance or greater intolerance?
7. Do you agree that our current culture has stronger opinions about food than it does about sexual activity. If so, why do you think that is?
8. Discuss this statement: "Be equitable regarding people. Be inequitable regarding ideas." Are some ideas better than others or do all ideas carry equal weight?
9. Do you understand God's judgment as Him actively punishing or Him allowing the natural cause and effect consequences of sin that are a part of His creation? (see Psalm 7:15 and Proverbs 26:27)
10. In Thyatira, why was it a temptation to know the "deeper things of Satan"? Can you think of an example today where people are drawn into a system of belief that promises special knowledge to those who have been initiated into the system?