

# **★ PRIORITY MAIL ★**



#### **WEEK 4 | THYATIRA | REVELATION 2:18-29**

#### Inspection - "What does it say?"

What was the church in Thyatira praised for in verse 19?

What does God know about everyone? What will He do with this information? (verse 23)

What are those in Thyatira to hold on to according to verse 25?

What will the church receive that does the will of God to the end? What is this? (verse 26)

What is promised to those who have ears to hear? What is this? (verses 28-29)

## Observation – "What does it mean?"

How can a church appear to be alive and active, but so immoral?

Who are the children of the woman Jezebel at Thyatira in verse 23? What does this mean?

How are works in the life of the Christian part of our salvation?

According to verse 24, why should we be careful of those who speak of deep secrets?

Read 26. How does tolerating the woman Jezebel affect our authority over nations?

## Life Application – "What does it mean for me?"

Identify any attitudes or activities in your life that are not pleasing to God.

Pray that God will take your challenges and turn them into revival for the nations.

Pray daily that God will give you the strength to "hold on" to sound doctrine.

Consider how sexual immorality affects your life and depend on God's Holy Spirit for help.

For Biblical discernment, read Matthew 7:1-5, Ephesians 6:10-20, Philippians 1:9-11, Hebrews 5:12-14, and James 1:5

#### Meditation – "What does God say?"

1 John 4:1 Hebrews 5:14 Philippians 1:9-10 Hebrews 4:12

1 Kings 3:9 Romans 12:2 James 1:5 1 Corinthians 2:14

#### **Supplication: What Can We Meditate?**

A morning prayer by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, imprisoned in Nazi Germany

# MORNING PRAYER Christmas, 1943

God, to You I call early in the morning.

Help me pray

And gather my thoughts to Yourself
I cannot do it alone.
In me it is dark,
But with You is the light;
I am lonely, but You forsake me not;
I am faint-hearted, but with You is help;
I am restless, but with You is peace;
In me is bitterness, but with You is patience;
I do not understand my way, but
You know the way for me.

Father in Heaven,
Praise and thanks
Be Yours for the night's rest.
Praise and thanks be Yours for the new day.
Praise and thanks be Yours for all Your kindness
And faithfulness in my past life.
You have shown me much good,
Let me now receive from Your hand
What is hard.
You will not lay upon me
More than I can bear.
For Your children You let all things
Serve for the best.

Lord Jesus Christ,
You were poor
And miserable, captive and forsaken as I am.
You know every need of humans,
You remain with me
When no man stands by me,
You forget me not and seek me,
You will that I recognize You
And turn to You.

#### **Supplication: What Can We Meditate?**

Lord, I hear Your call and follow, Help me!

Holy Spirit,
Give me the faith that rescues me from
Despair, addictions, and vice,
Give me the love for God and humans,
That destroys all hate and bitterness,
Give me the hope that frees me from
Fear and despondency.

Holy, merciful God,
My Creator and my Savior,
My Judge and my Deliverer,
You know me and everything I do.
You hate and punish evil in this world
And in the next with no respect of persons;
You forgive sins for the one
Who asks sincerely;
You love good and reward it on this
Earth with a good conscience
And in the world to come
With the crown of righteousness.

Before You I think of all my loved ones,
And of my fellow prisoners, and of all those
Who do their hard service in this house.
Lord, have mercy!
Grant me freedom again,
And let me so live in the present
That I can live responsibly
Before humans.
Lord, whatever else this day brings—
May Your name be praised!
Amen.