## Revelation 2:12-17 No Compromise

Jesus writes a letter to a church of Christians who have begun to compromise with the world. They still maintain their faith, but they forfeited so much because they chose to be friends with the world.

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TONIGHT: The Real History of the Roman Catholic Church

"I know where you dwell"

Jesus knows your circumstances

"where Satan's throne is"

Christianity 101:

-Satan has never been to hell!

Job 1:6 — Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them.

1 Peter 5:8 — Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Revelation 20:1-3 — Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

\*Hip1- Hippocrates

\*hip2- galen

\*hip3- Medical Symbol

| John 3:14-15 — "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, "that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.     |
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| "Satan's Throne"   |
| *Asklepios   |
| *Altar Zeus1- in Pergamos  |
| *Altar to Zeus   |
| *Zeppelin Field  |
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| Martyr = martys(μάρτυς); pronounced "mar'-toos";   |
| Matthew 18:16 — "But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that 'by the mouth of two or three [martyrs] every word may be established.'                                      |
| Charlie Kirk was a martyr  |
| *Foxe's Book of Martyrs  |
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| We live in an age where it is easier to be a witness for Christ than ever before.  |
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| *Balaam & Donkey   |
| Numbers 22-24  |
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| *Demosthenes, "We keep prostitutes for pleasure, concubines for the daily companionship, and wives for the bearing of legitimate children and for faithful guardianship of the household." |

\*brass serpent

\*Cicero, "For as they say: for a young man to consort with prostitutes, to drink, and to have other pleasures ready at hand — this is not only not condemned, but even permitted. For when indeed was this not done? When was it ever criticized? When was it not allowed?"

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James 4:4 – "Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God."

1 Peter 2:11–12 – "Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles..."

Ephesians 5:11 – "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them."

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Matthew 19:4-5 — And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female,' "and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'?

Hebrews 13:4 — Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

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## "REPENT!"

While the Ephesians left their first love, the people of Pergamos compromised and forfeited it.

Are you living in compromise right now?

- -Does God approve of the life you are living?
- -Does God approve of your habits?
- -Is your faith truly fulfilling you?

The Problem With the Book of Job

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1 Peter 1:15-6 — but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

Psalm 101:3-4 — I will set nothing wicked before my eyes... I will not know wickedness.

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\*Rogers- The Church pure is the Church powerful.

Romans 12:1-2 — I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

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"or else"

There are absolutely consequences for disobedience.

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"I will come to you quickly and will fight against them with the sword of My mouth"

Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5)

Hebrews 12:11 & 6 — Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless... [verse 6] whom the LORD loves He chastens...

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- 1 Corinthians 5:6-7 Your glorying is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened...
- 2 Corinthians 6:14 & 17 "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? ... Therefore 'Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you."
- \*MacArthur "[The Church is] never to be a place where unbelievers feel safe and secure. It's to be a place where unbelievers feel frightened though loved, fearful though welcome, and where they can hear the truth and be saved."

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Exodus 16:4 — Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not.

Exodus 16:21 — So they gathered it every morning, every man according to his need. And when the sun became hot, it melted.

Exodus 16:27 — Now it happened that some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather, but they found none.

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Backslidden Christians will be received into heaven, but will receive no heaven on earth.

God is not through with you.

- 2 Corinthians 5:20 Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ,
- -as though God were pleading [calling you to Him] through us:
- -we implore [pray, desire, beg] you on Christ's behalf,
- -be reconciled to God.