

# to the church of **LAODICEA**

*I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! <sup>16</sup> So, because **you are lukewarm**—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. <sup>17</sup> You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. <sup>18</sup> I counsel you to buy from me **gold** refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.*

*<sup>19</sup> **Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline.** So be earnest and repent. <sup>20</sup> **Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.** If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.*

*<sup>21</sup> **To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.***

*Revelation 3:15-21*

the danger of  
**APATHY:**

Nothing *kills* a church or a  
person spiritually more quickly  
than *indifference*.

What should you do when you feel  
*apathetic* ?

When you have that *indifference* ?

RECOGNIZE

REPENT

RENEW

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# RECOGNIZE IT

When we recognize that we have become lukewarm, then it can be dealt with.

*Verse 18: "I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich;*

In our walks with God, there will be times where we will be refined by fire. The refining fire is meant for our benefit so that we can walk closer to Jesus.

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# REPENT FROM IT

*Verse 19: "Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent."*

God will bring things to light in your life, in order to help you. He chastens you to instruct you.

He speaks in a way to instruct and guide us. He does this so that we can walk with zeal and repentance.

We need God's direction, instruction and correction.

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# ALLOW GOD TO RENEW YOU

*Verse 20: "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me."*

God does not intrude, he gives us the ability to open the door and let him come in to dwell with him and dine with him.

Let him renew your life. Do not allow fear or shame stop you from the Lord's renewing.

We should always have a  
desperate need for God.