



The King's Call to Overcome

Revelation - Lesson 3

Read Revelation 2:12 - 3:6

In a world where faith can be pressured, polluted, or lulled to sleep, Christ speaks in Revelation 2:12—3:6 with piercing clarity to three churches facing three dangers: compromise, corruption, and complacency. Each message exposes what is broken but also reveals what Christ promises to those who overcome. This lesson invites us to listen closely and ask: what is Christ saying to His church today?

REFLECTION 1:

Read Revelation 2:12-17. Looking at the opening background on Pergamum as a center of learning, worship, and Roman authority, what details helped you better understand the pressure believers there were facing?

REFLECTION 2:

In verses 12-13, Jesus introduces Himself as the One with the sharp double-edged sword and says, "I know where you live." What do those words reveal about how He sees His people in difficult places?

REFLECTION 3:

When the lesson describes Pergamum's compromise in Revelation 2:14-16, what makes compromise hard to recognize, especially when it seems practical or necessary? Are you aware of any area of potential compromise in your own life right now?

REFLECTION 4:

In the section on hidden manna, the lesson connects obedience with trusting Christ's provision. Where do you see that kind of trust being tested in ordinary life? Can you think of a place in your own life where obedience to Christ feels costly? What would it look like to trust His provision there?

REFLECTION 5:

As you think about the white stone and new name in Revelation 2:17, what part of that promise feels especially meaningful, and why?

REFLECTION 6:

Read Christ's words to Thyatira in Revelation 2:18-29. Jesus notices what is good in the church, but He also names what is wrong. Why do you think both of those things matter when He speaks to His people?

REFLECTION 7:

When the lesson explains Jezebel's influence in Thyatira, what are some ways false teaching can sound reasonable or even spiritual while still leading people away from faithfulness to Christ? Are there voices, habits, or influences you tend to trust without much examination, and how could you bring those before Christ's "eyes like blazing fire"?

REFLECTION 8:

When Jesus speaks to Sardis in Revelation 3:1-6 He says they had a reputation for being alive but were spiritually dead. What helps a person or church notice spiritual drift before it becomes obvious?

REFLECTION 9:

If Christ were to lovingly expose the difference between your outward reputation and your inner spiritual reality, what do you think He might say? What would you want to ask Him to awaken, renew, or strengthen in you? Spend some time in prayer.
