

“LAODICEA—DISTASTEFUL FAITH”

The Seven—Part 8

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THE CHURCH IN LAODICEA:

Revelation 3:7A – “To the angel of the church in **Philadelphia** write...”

A WORD ABOUT THE AUTHOR—JESUS:

Revelation 3:14 (Emp. Added) —“To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the **Amen**, the **faithful and true witness**, the **ruler of God’s creation**.”

“Amen”

“Faithful and True Witness”

“Ruler of God’s creation”

(Reference: Colossians 1:15-18)

THE CONDITION OF THE CHURCH:

Revelation 3:15-17 (Emp. Added) —“I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are **LUKEWARM**—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. ¹⁷ 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**.”

“Lukewarm”

JESUS' JUDGMENT:

Revelation 3:16 (Emp. Added) —“So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to **SPIT** you out of my mouth.”

JESUS' DIAGNOSIS:

Revelation 3:17 (Emp. Added) —“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.**”

JESUS' PERScription:

Revelation 3:18 (Emp. Added) —“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.”

(Reference: Isaiah 55:1; I Peter 1:7; Galatians 3:27)

JESUS' REMEDY:

Revelation 3:19-20 (Emp. Added) —“Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and **repent.** 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.”

JESUS' PROMISE:

Revelation 3:21—“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.”