

REVELATION

05.07.23

PURITY

REVELATION 2:12-17

1) The Significance of the Sword in Pergamum?

- The Governor of Pergamum had just been granted “_____” - which meant ‘the right to bear the sword.’

2) Why does Jesus introduce himself as the One with the sword?

- To _____ His people to remember He is the One who holds the power over life and death.
- To _____ His people who were being seduced to compromise.

3) Jesus' Commendation

- “I know where you live—where Satan has his throne. Yet you remain true to my name. You did not _____ your faith in me, not even in the days of Antipas, my faithful witness, who was put to _____ in your city—where Satan lives.” (Rev 2:13)

4) Satan Swaps out a Sword for Seduction

- “Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: There are some among you who hold to the teaching of _____, who taught Balak to _____ the Israelites to sin so that they ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality. Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the _____.” (Rev 2:14-15)

5) Jesus' Promise of Provision to those who Refuse to Compromise

- “To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden _____...” (Rev 2:17a)

take your next step!

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What's an area of life where you're compromising and rationalizing it?

- Watching stuff that dishonors God, and rationalizing: "Well, everyone's watching it"
- Abusing alcohol/prescription drugs and rationalizing: "I just need to take the edge off"
- Wasting hours on social media, and rationalizing: "I'm just keeping up with my friends"
- Eating in secret, compulsive ways and rationalizing: "I'm not doing drugs; it's just food"
- Gossiping, and rationalizing: "I'm just making sure people know the truth"
- Not sharing the gospel, and rationalizing: "Evangelism just isn't my gift"
- Not tithing/giving, and rationalizing: "It's just a tight season for me financially"
- Shading the truth, and rationalizing: "It's not like I'm outright lying"
- Disregarding the Sabbath, and rationalizing: "I'm just a really hard worker"
- Going into debt to buy stuff, and rationalizing: "It was too good of a deal to pass up"
- Not reading the Bible, and rationalizing: "I'm just too busy"
- Looking at porn, and rationalizing: "It's not like I'm hurting anybody else"
- Neglecting family, and rationalizing: "I've just got a lot on my plate right now"
- Flirting with someone who is married, and rationalizing: "I'm just being friendly"
- Having sex with someone who's not your spouse and rationalizing: "We love each other"
- Not gathering together for corporate worship, and rationalizing: "Well, I just need some me-time on Sunday mornings"
- Shrinking back from that serving opportunity that God keeps calling me to, and rationalizing: "I just don't think I have it in me to serve God in that way"
- Losing your temper and yelling/cursing, and rationalizing: "My anger is righteous anger"
- Being passive about discipling your kids, and rationalizing: "I don't know how"
- Holding onto that addiction that's destroying you, and rationalizing: "I need it"
- Something else: _____

Next Steps

- 1) Confess where you're _____
- 2) _____ to the cross with your sin
- 3) _____ at the cross that your sin is forgiven
- 4) _____ your sin at the cross
- 5) Take home a _____ stone

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PRAYER REQUEST

Requests will be prayed for by the prayer team.

YOUR NEXT STEP

- I AM PUTTING MY TRUST IN JESUS AS MY LORD AND SAVIOR
- I AM INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED
- I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A MINISTRY TEAM

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