

NAUSEATING COMPLACENCY

Revelation 3:13-22

(Series #11)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**Nauseating Complacency**”. All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Review: The church at Ephesus had left what?
2. The church at Smyrna refused to acknowledge Caesar as lord, so they were what?
3. The church at Pergamos was beginning to compromise with the world's _____ and the world's _____.
4. The church at Thyatira had gone beyond compromise to what?
5. The church at Sardis looked _____ but it was actually _____.
6. The church at Philadelphia was a church that had a love for and obedience to the what?
7. How would you fit into the church at Philadelphia? Would you be at home there or would you feel guilty?
8. The church at Laodicia was tragically characterized by a nauseating what?
9. The Author to this letter to the church at Laodicia was who?
10. The use of the word, “Amen” presents the idea that the Lord Jesus is the One who is what?
11. To explain what the term “Amen” meant what phrase was added next to the verse?
12. T or F: When John refers to Jesus as, “the Beginning of the creation of God...” he is simply saying that Jesus was created.
13. The phrase, “the Beginning of the creation of God...” actually means that Jesus is the what?
14. The Lord begins His letter with “I know your works...” because He wants to emphasize the fact that He does what?
15. Rather than being against the Lord or totally sold out to Him, the church at Laodicia was described as being what?

16. What had numbed the church at Laodecia?
17. The church at Laodecia was described as:
 - a. They didn't care that people around them were lost and going to _____
 - b. They didn't care that false teachers around them were teaching _____
 - c. They didn't care that their own spiritual lives were _____
 - d. They didn't care that their children needed to be nurtured, trained, and taught to love the _____.
 - e. They didn't care about anything because they were _____.
18. What are two possible explanations for why the Lord wished they were either hot or cold:
 - a. If they had been cold then at least they would have _____
 - b. The Lord was using imagery from the surrounding _____
19. Hierapolos had hot Medicinal _____ which provided _____ to the sick and cold
20. Colossae had cold, pure waters which provided _____ for the weary.
21. What is sickening to the Lord (based upon v. 16)?
22. From Romans 12:11, the phrase, "not lagging in diligence..." means that we are not to be lazy in relation to the things of who?
23. What is one thing in your life that you spend too much time on/with and as a result it squeezes out the most important thing-the Lord and His work.
24. The phrase "fervent in spirit" means what?
25. The word "enthusiasm" comes from two Greek words which literally mean what?
26. Enthusiasm is the quality of living life with what?
27. In all honesty, how do you respond to the Word of God when you hear it?
28. From the Greek word translated, "hot" we get what English word?
29. The Lord wanted His church to be full of what?
30. Why does the Lord use such strong language as "...I will vomit you out of My mouth..."?
31. "Twenty _____ Christians hurt the cause of Christ more than one blatant atheist..."

32. The church at Laodecia had mistaken material blessing with what?
33. The Lord was inviting the church at Laodecia (and us) to buy from Him what cannot really be what?
34. The reason the Lord uses such strong language in verse 19 is because He loves the church and He want us to be what?
35. The word “love” here is a form of the word which means to have what?
36. Proverbs 3:12 and Hebrews 12:6 tell us that a father who loves his son will do what?
37. V. 20 is an appeal from the Lord to get back into where?
38. The idea of sharing of a common meal indicated a strong bond of what?
39. The promise of verse 20 is extended to who?
40. “Overcomers” is a reference to who?
41. The picture of verse 21 is a picture of us sharing Christ’s A _____, E _____, and R _____.
42. What kind of church are we?
43. More specifically-What kind of person are you? Are you (and the church) like:
 - a. The church at Ephesus who left its first love?
 - b. The church at Smyrna being true to the Lord no matter what we go through?
 - c. The church in Pergamos, compromising with the world around us and lowering the standard?
 - d. The church in Thyatira, corrupt and immoral?
 - e. The church in Sardis, full of religious and social activity without true spiritual life?
 - f. The church in Philadelphia, obeying and keeping the Word of God?
 - g. The church in Laodecia, lukewarm and complacent, assuming that material blessings mean God is pleased with us spiritually?

For The Next Study In Revelation:

- 1) Read through Revelation 1:1-4:1 one time.
- 2) Read Revelation 4:1 each day this week and make a note about what this church was like.
- 3) Read through Matthew 24-25 this week to get a feel for a description of the tribulation period.
- 4) Formulate one question from your reading that you would like to have answered.