

How Would Christ Describe Your Relationship With Him?

Part 7

Revelation 3:14-22

Revelation Series

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- I. The church at Laodicea
 - A. Things the town was known for
 1. **Wealth**
 2. Dark **wool**
 3. **Eye** salve
 4. Being very dependent on an external **water** supply
- II. Christ revealed Himself to this church as the... (v.14)
 - A. **Amen**
 1. A transliteration of the word "aman" meaning **truth**, affirmation, certainty and/or "**so be it**" (cf. Jn.14:6)
 2. Amen also implies, "If Jesus decrees it, you can be **certain** it will be done" (cf. II Cor. 1:20)
 - B. **Faithful** and **true** witness
 1. You can count on Jesus
 - C. **Ruler** of God's Creation (v. 14; cf. Col. 1:16-17; II Pet. 3:10-13)
- III. Things [in the church at Laodicea] which Christ approved
 - A. **Nothing**
- IV. Christ's admonition (assessment of them) and offer of assistance to them (vv. 15-20)
 - A. I know your **deeds** (cf. I Cor. 4:5; Ps. 139:3)
 - B. Their lukewarmness **sickened** Him
 - C. They thought they were **well off** and had no **needs** (cf. Ps. 39:6; Ecc. 2:26; Rom. 11:33; Eph. 3:16; Phil. 4:19)
 - D. The assistance Jesus offered
 1. **Wise** counsel (Prov. 8:10-11; Jam. 1:5)
 2. **Refined gold**--suggesting **genuine** faith (cf. I Pet. 1:7a)
 3. **White garments**--suggesting righteous living (cf. Rev. 19:8a; Eph. 4:17-20; I Pet. 4:3; Eph. 5:8)
 4. **Eye salve**--suggesting godly vision (cf. Eph. 1:18a)
- V. What is their promised reward if they do persevere? (21-22)
 - A. He offered them the **right** to sit with Him on His throne
 - B. The throne symbolizes that in Christ we are overcomers and victors—we will one day **reign** with Him (2 Timothy 2:12a; Rev. 20:6b)



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