

## Thyatira – the Church of Continual and Heretical Sacrifice

*Revelation 2:18-29*

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Thyatira means “\_\_\_\_\_ sacrifice.” The letter to this church is a significant warning to the those who \_\_\_\_\_ spiritual truths and \_\_\_\_\_ the sins that result.

### A. The City of Thyatira

#### 1. It's location and history

- a. 30 miles southeast of Pergamos, half-\_\_\_\_\_ to Sardis
- b. Established as a Macedonian colony by \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Originally a military \_\_\_\_\_
- d. In a \_\_\_\_\_ agricultural area

#### 2. It's \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Known for the manufacture of an expensive \_\_\_\_\_ dye
- b. Had numerous \_\_\_\_\_ guilds which manufactured woolen cloth

### B. The Church from the Lord's \_\_\_\_\_

#### 1. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Himself.

- a. Son of God – emphasizing His \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ a flame of fire – speaks of burning \_\_\_\_\_ and judgment
- c. Feet like brass – a \_\_\_\_\_ of metals which makes a brilliant appearance, enhancing the revelation of Christ as a glorious \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Their works were prominent and greater than the \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ was shown
- c. Service, \_\_\_\_\_, and patience

### 3. Indictment for spiritual \_\_\_\_\_

- a. The woman named \_\_\_\_\_
  - (1). “Gune” can also be translated “\_\_\_\_\_”
  - (2). Guilds were \_\_\_\_\_ to a patron god or goddess
  - (3). Called \_\_\_\_\_ a prophetess
  - (4). Her teaching and \_\_\_\_\_ led the people to commit fornication and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

#### b. The Old Testament Jezebel

- (1). Influenced her \_\_\_\_\_ husband, Ahab (1 Kings 16:33)
- (2). She had killed \_\_\_\_\_ of God's prophets
- (3). Responsible for Naboth's \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of his vineyard
- (4). She tried to kill Elijah, and had a special \_\_\_\_\_ placed against her – her body would be eaten by \_\_\_\_\_.

#### c. \_\_\_\_\_ apostasy

- (1). Emphasized that \_\_\_\_\_ would come to her followers
- (2). Pictures the \_\_\_\_\_ period of A.D 500-1500 of the Roman Catholic Church with its exaltation of \_\_\_\_\_, spiritual depravity, and \_\_\_\_\_
- (3). Foreshadows the departure from the scriptural doctrine of the finished \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ

### 4. Exhortation to the Godly \_\_\_\_\_

- a. The first time a group is singled out within the church for continuing the \_\_\_\_\_ testimony of the Lord.
- b. Hold \_\_\_\_\_ until Christ returns.
- c. Promises given
  - (1). They will be given places of responsible \_\_\_\_\_ and share in ruling ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) the nations.
  - (2). They will be given the \_\_\_\_\_ star – Christ Himself!