

Revelation • Women's Bible Study, October 22, 2019

- Spiritual apathy cannot be cured by material prosperity. Like the Laodiceans, we need to run after spiritual wealth from Christ by learning His Word, letting that word change us through the power of the Holy Spirit, then remembering our gift of salvation and serving Him faithfully. Among other things this involves a willingness to commit ourselves and our resources to His work in our own churches, our communities, and beyond these walls. **DO YOU MAKE YOURSELF AND YOUR RESOURCES THAT AVAILABLE?**
- The Laodiceans didn't need the sleek, black wool of their city—they needed to be clothed with the virgin white garments of forgiveness and righteousness that only Christ could supply. **READ Revelation 3:18b.** Where can we obtain this clothing? By a personal act of confession, repentance and submission to the only One who can forgive us and clothe us anew. There is no other way. **ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY THIS PRICE** to get the clothes you need to make you pure?
- When our ability to honestly evaluate ourselves becomes so impaired that we can't see the personal effects of spiritual compromise and apathy, we need the sight restoring balm that's available through Jesus Christ. **READ REVELATION 3:18.** There was a medical school in the heart of Laodicea that sold special salves to cure many of the Laodicean eye problems. They understood the analogy of "buying salve". No modern medicine is useful in curing cases of personal deception. **WILL YOU BE BRAVE AND ASK THE LORD TO RESTORE YOUR PERSPECTIVE SO YOU CAN VIEW YOURSELF AS HE DOES?**
- Our decisions must be accompanied by appropriate actions in order to bring about genuine change. Are you making Godly decisions in your marriage-your parenting, in your friend relationships, in your single life, in your work, in what you post on social media, in your time management? Jesus Christ cares about it all! When we fall short in applying the truth of God's word, we risk coming under the correcting hand of Christ. **ARE YOU PREPARED TO LIVE FOR HIM AND PUT YOUR FEET TO FOLLOWING HIM RATHER THAN MERELY THINKING AND TALKING ABOUT HIM?**

- Spiritual fires cannot be rekindled without the fresh fuel of a changed mind and will. ARE YOU READY TO GET SERIOUS ABOUT YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST-TO START ORDERING YOUR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC WORLDS ACCORDING TO THE RICHES OF HIS WORD?