REVELATION 2:18-29

Thyatira

18 "Write this letter to the angel of the church in Thyatira.

Acts 16:13 On the Sabbath we went a little way outside the city to a riverbank, where we thought people would be meeting for prayer, and we sat down to speak with some women who had gathered there.

14 One of them was Lydia from Thyatira, a merchant of expensive purple cloth, who worshiped God. As she listened to us, the Lord opened her heart, and she accepted what Paul was saying.

Characterization

18 ... This is the message from the Son of God, whose eyes are like flames of fire, whose feet are like polished bronze:

Revelation 1:14 His head and his hair were white like wool, as white as snow. And his eyes were like flames of fire.

15 His feet were like polished bronze refined in a furnace, and his voice thundered like mighty ocean waves.

19 "I know all the things you do. I have seen your love, your faith, your service, and your patient endurance. And I can see your constant improvement in all these things.

Condemnation

20 "But I have this complaint against you. You are permitting that woman—that Jezebel who calls herself a prophet—to lead my servants astray. She teaches them to commit sexual sin and to eat food offered to idols.

21 I gave her time to repent, but she does not want to turn away from her immorality.

22 "Therefore, I will throw her on a bed of suffering, and those who commit adultery with her will suffer greatly unless they repent and turn away from her evil deeds. 23 I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am the one who searches out the thoughts and intentions of every person. And I will give to each of you whatever you deserve.

24 "But I also have a message for the rest of you in Thyatira who have not followed this false teaching ('deeper truths,' as they call them—depths of Satan, actually). I will ask nothing more of you

25 except that you hold tightly to what you have until I come.

Galatians 5:22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there.

25 Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

26 Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

Character Traits Of False Prophets

They Misuse Scripture

They Sound Deep

They Seek Authority

They Pull People To Themselves

There Is An Air Of Superiority

Usually The Use Of The Gifts Are involved

They Are Shallow In Their Example

²⁶ To all who are victorious, who obey me to the very end, To them I will give authority over all the nations.

²⁷ They will rule the nations with an iron rod and smash them like clay pots. 28 They will have the same authority I received from my Father, and I will also give them the morning star!

^{29 &}quot;Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit and understand what he is saying to the churches.

Psalm 2:7 The king proclaims the Lord's decree: "The Lord said to me, 'You are my son. Today I have become your Father.

8 Only ask, and I will give you the nations as your inheritance, the whole earth as your possession.

9 You will break them with an iron rod and smash them like clay pots.' "

10 Now then, you kings, act wisely! Be warned, you rulers of the earth!

11 Serve the Lord with reverent fear, and rejoice with trembling.

12 Submit to God's royal son, or he will become angry, and you will be destroyed in the midst of all your activities — for his anger flares up in an instant. But what joy for all who take refuge in him!