

DATE: Sunday, November 21, 2021 **TITLE**: A Letter to an Immoral Church

SERIES: The Book of Revelation: Worthy is the Lamb

PASSAGE: Revelation 2:18-29

Jesus loves us too much to tolerate sin in his church.			
Three reasons Jesus will not tolerate sin in his church			
Jesus will not tolerate sin in his church because:			
1) Jesus alone deserves our (v18-19)			
4 details about Jesus that make him worthy of our devotion:			
A) He is all things	s (v18b)		
B) He all things (v18	c)		
C) He all things (v18	d)		
D) He all things (v19)		

2۱	Jesus is	iealous for our	(v20-23)
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3 questions to ask when you're tempted to compromise:

- A) Will Jesus be _____?

 B) Does this reflect _____?
- C) Have I considered the ______ of my choices?
- 3) Jesus is generous to the _____ (v24-29)
 - A) Hold _____ (v24-27)
 - B) Wait for the _____ (v28)

(*See page 2 for **PRAYER POINTS**.)

As we continue in our series through the letters to the seven churches in Revelation 2 and 3, let's pray together through these passages. Let's place ourselves humbly before the Lord and trust him to teach Mission City Bible Church what we need to know and do as a result of our time in the word and in prayer. Use these prayer starters, as needed, and move from one section to the next, as appropriate.

THE PRAISEWORTHY QUALITIES OF JESUS:

- He is the Son of God (v18)
- He sees, judges, and knows all things (v18-19)
- He is patient that all should come to repentance (v21)
- He is pure and perfect in his judgement (v22-23)
- He searches the mind and heart (v23)
- He rewards each person according to their works (v23)
- He is merciful (v24)
- He is coming again (v25)
- He has authority to rule over the nations (v26-27)
- He will extinguish the darkness with the light of his presence (v28)

REVERENCE:

- Lord, we worship you because . . .
- Jesus, we praise you because you were patient with me/us when . . .
- Lord, thank you for your mercy when . . .

RESPONSE:

- Lord, I confess that I have tolerated the sin of ______; help me to walk in . . .
- Lord, search my mind and heart and see if there is any sin in me
- Lord, I repent for listening too much to the teaching of _____ and not enough to the teaching of the gospel

REQUEST:

- Lord, protect our church from the teaching and seduction of "Jezebels"
- Lord, give us the ability to see and understand the consequences of our choices
- Lord, strengthen me/us to hold fast to what we have until you come
- Lord, help me/us identify and remove any false teaching we are listening to

READINESS:

- Jesus, strengthen us to live as light in the darkness even when . . .
- Lord, we will trust in you for your pure and perfect judgement for . . .
- Lord, come quickly!