LESSONS FROM 7 CHURCHES OF ASIA



Introduction

- Common themes in all 7 letters
 - Descriptions of Jesus
 - Jesus knew their works
 - Rewards
- Focus of this lesson → compliments & criticisms of the churches
- Judgment as a church

If we want to be a church that Jesus is pleased with, then we must have...

PATIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

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- Involves:
 - -Work: Rev 2:2-3
 - -Tribulation: Rev 2:10-11
 - -Holding fast: Rev 2:12-13

How about this church?

 Do we have patience/perseverance? If we want to be a church that Jesus is pleased with, then we must have...

PATIENCE/PERSEVERANCE
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- Involves:
 - -Not bearing with evil people: Rev 2:2
 - -Testing false teachers
 - -Hating wicked deeds: Rev 2:6
 - –Not tolerating false doctrine: Rev 2:14-16; 20-23

How about this church?

- Do we have patience/perseverance?
- Are we willing to resist evil, expose false teaching?

If we want to be a church that Jesus is pleased with, then we must have...

- PATIENCE/PERSEVERANCE
- NO FELLOWSHIP W/ EVIL
- LOVE FOR THE LORD

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- Involves:
 - -Not losing your first love: Rev 2:4-5
 - -Not being "lukewarm": Rev 3:14-17
 - –Not relying on your "reputation": Rev 3:1-3

How about this church?

- Do we have patience/perseverance?
- Are we willing to resist evil, expose false teaching?
- Have love for the Lord?