

THE STUDY OF LAST DAY EVENTS

THE CONDITION OF GOD'S CHURCH

There are many Christians that are captivated about the study of last day events. True, it should be a study that the entire church should be involved in, young as well as old. But what's most important about the study of last day events is not so much the Mark of the Beast or the Time of Trouble or any of those we mentioned beforehand, (and they are important) but the most important study is where do you and I fit in the whole drama? How do I stand before God? What are my chances of making it safely through? Where do I stand now? We will attempt to answer those questions tonight.

A. Does Jesus truly know His people?

1. Isa. 1:2, 3, 4 _____
2. Rev. 3:15 _____
This is repeated seven (7) times, and is mentioned to all the churches

B. What does Jesus say about His last day people? Where do we stand with God?

1. Rev. 3:15,16 _____
2. Amos 6:1 _____
3. "The Laodicean message applies to the people of God who profess to believe present truth. The greater part is lukewarm professors, having a name but no zeal." 4T 252
4. "The message to the church of the Laodiceans is a startling denunciation and is applicable to the people of God at the present time." 3T 252

C. What has caused our state of Luke warmness, the first cause?

1. Rev. 3:17 _____
2. Mark 4:19 _____
3. "... Others will not let this message to the Laodicean church have its weight upon them. They will glide along, much after the same manner as before, and will be spewed out of the mouth of the Lord." 1T 144

Further Study: Matt 13:22; Mark 10:25; Luke 8:14; 18:25; 21:34 1John 2:15-17

D. What other issues comes from increased wealth? Rev. 3:17

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8. "Come when it may, the day of God will come unawares to the ungodly. When life is going on in its unvarying round; when men are absorbed in pleasure, in business, in traffic, in money-making; when religious leaders are magnifying the world's progress and enlightenment, and the people are lulled in a false security--then, as the midnight thief steals within the unguarded dwelling, so shall sudden destruction come upon the careless and ungodly, "and they shall not escape."--GC 38 (1911). Last Day Event p. 233, 234

9. "... Many of them love this world, love their treasure, but are not willing to see it." 1T 142

D. What is the remedy for our lost condition?

1. Rev. 3:18, 19 "...buy gold, white raiment, eye salve, and be zealous."

a. GOLD - _____

b. WHITE RAINMENT - _____

c. EYESALVE - _____

d. ZEALOUS - _____

2. "Heed the counsel of the True Witness. Buy gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich, white raiment that thou mayest be clothed, and eye salve that thou mayest see. Make some effort. These precious treasures will not drop upon us without some exertion on our part. We must buy--"be zealous and repent" of our lukewarm state. We must be awake to see our wrongs, to search for our sins, and to zealously repent of them." 1T 142

3. "To be without the graces of the Spirit of God is sad; indeed, but it is a more terrible condition to be thus destitute of spirituality and of Christ, and yet try to justify ourselves by telling those who are alarmed for us that we need not their fears and pity. Fearful is the power of self-deception on the human mind! What blindness! Setting light for darkness and darkness for light! The True Witness counsels us to buy of Him gold tried in the fire, white raiment, and eye salve. The gold here recommended as having been tried in the fire is faith and love. It makes the heart rich; for it has been purged until it is pure, and the more it is tested the more brilliant is its luster. The white raiment is purity of character, the righteousness of Christ imparted to the sinner. This is indeed a garment of heavenly texture that can be bought only of Christ for a life of willing obedience. The eye salve is that wisdom and grace which enables us to discern between the evil and the good, and to detect sin under any guise. God has given His church eyes which He requires them to anoint with wisdom, that they may see clearly; but many would put out the eyes of the church if they could; for they would not have their deeds come to the light, lest they should be reprov'd. The divine eye salve will impart clearness to the understanding. Christ is the depository of all graces. He says: "Buy of Me." 4T 88

E. What is the promise if our condition changes?

Rev. 3:21 _____

We have a false security in thinking just because we are God's people that's all that needed. But it is important for us to know our true condition. It's not enough to know Him, but to love Him!