

5. What Jesus has against them (Read 2:14-16, 20-25)
  - a. What was the problem with 'Balaam's teaching'? (cf. Num. 25:1-3; 31:16)
  - b. What was the problem with Jezebel's teaching? (cf. 1 Kings 21:25,26)
  - c. Who do you think 'Jezebel's children' refer to? (cf. Rev. 12:17, for the image of another 'woman and her children' also 2 John 1).
  - d. Why are adultery and sexual immorality used to symbolise idolatry? Why is idolatry a serious problem?
  - e. What do the churches need to do in response to these warnings?

**Applying it to our lives**

6. What things can be idols for us today? (cf. Mt. 6:24; Col. 3:5).
  
7. What pressures, subtle or explicit, do we face that encourage us to compromise our loyalty to God and run after 'idols'?
  
8. How can a renewed vision of the glory of Christ help prevent us compromising our loyalty to God?



**Week Beginning  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020**

**Growth Team News**

Sadly, with the present Covid restrictions many of our Growth Teams are on pause. There are, however, a couple meeting on Zoom (see below). If you would like to give either of these a try this week, then please let Paul know on 01843 592562.

We continue our series on Jesus addressing the churches in Revelation 1-3. In the two letters to Pergamum and Thyatira, Jesus gives a strong warning against compromising with idolatry.

Even if you cannot join a Zoom Growth Team, please use this sheet with other members of your household or on your own Zoom. The sheet works best after watching the Sunday Sermon, which is available on You Tube or through our website.

**Mon.**        8:00pm    *on Zoom*

**Thu.**        8.00pm    *on Zoom*



**Growing in Christ  
to glorify God  
and enjoy Him forever.**

## Conquering by not compromising

*Revelation 2:12-29 (page 1234 in church Bibles)*

*Space to take notes on the talk*

Conquering with \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Jesus, \_\_\_\_\_

➤ \_\_\_\_\_ for the conquerors

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\_\_\_\_\_ against Compromise

❖ \_\_\_\_\_ with Idolatry

❖ Idolatry and \_\_\_\_\_

❖ Idolatry \_\_\_\_\_

## Getting to know each other

❖ What are you most pleased about winning in your life?

## Responding to the talk

1. What did you find most interesting about this week's talk?
2. Jesus, the Conqueror – Read 2:12 and 18
  - a. What impression of the heavenly Jesus do these images give?
  - b. How does 19:11-21 enhance that picture?
  - c. How might these images of the heavenly Jesus encourage a church that is being persecuted?
3. The promise for the victorious / conquerors / overcomers (Read 2:17, 26-29)
  - a. Why is it a blessing to be 'invited to the wedding supper of the lamb' (cf. 19:6-9; 21:2-4)
  - b. Who does 'the new name' refer to (cf. 3:12; 22:3-4)
  - c. Who is the 'morning star'? (cf. 22:16; Num. 24:17)
  - d. How might these verses encourage Christians who may have been ostracised from society and persecuted by the authorities?
4. What Jesus knows that is good (Read 2:13-14, 19)
  - a. Why was it particularly hard for the Christians in Pergamum?
  - b. What is good about the church in Thyatira?
  - c. Why is this important? (cf. 2:4)