

Single-Hearted Faithfulness

Discipleship For Today, Part 5

Revelation 2: 18-28

February 7, 2010

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... maturing in discipleship

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... in danger from compromise

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The church was called ...

... to repentance for their unfaithfulness

"I have given her time to repent of her immorality ..." (vs. 21)

... to remain single-heartedly faithful

"... to you who do not hold to her teaching ... hold on to what you have ..." (vs. 24-25)

We do this by focusing on Jesus, ...

... who is the Son of God

"These are the words of the Son of God ..." (vs. 18)

... who sees things as they really are

" whose eyes are like blazing fire" (vs. 18)

... who is a firm foundation

"and whose feet are like burnished bronze..." (vs. 18)

... who is the righteous judge

"... I will repay each of you according to your deeds." (vs. 23)

... who promises a wonderful future

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