



Seven: Letters of Revelation  
The Problem with Being a Thermometer  
Revelation 3:14-22  
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MAIN POINT

Jesus expects and deserves whole-hearted devotion.

INTRODUCTION

**In the past week, what did you do that most excited you? Did you have to do anything that you were apathetic about? If so, what?**

**How would you describe someone with an apathetic attitude?**

UNDERSTANDING

| Read Revelation 3:14-17.

**In your own words:**

**How would you describe a church that is lukewarm?**

**What are the dangers of this type of spiritual apathy for a church and individual Christians?**

**What do you make of Jesus' statement in verse 16?**

**What attitude about our spiritual lives should we have as the church?**

**What was the root of the Laodiceans' apathy (v. 17)?**

**Why is it so easy for material comforts to affect our relationship with God?**

**What other passages in Scripture warn against this?**

**What does Jesus tell them to do in verse 18? Why? What does this say about true wealth?**

| Read Revelation 3:18-19.

**In the sermon the point is made that discipline is loving. Read Hebrews 12:5-11 for additional insight.**

**Describe repentance in your own words. Why is this something God values so highly? What do we communicate to Him when we practice genuine repentance?**

**What does it look like to “eat with” Jesus (v. 20)? Why is this an appropriate picture of spiritual intimacy with Him?**

**|** Read Revelation 3:20-22.

**Have you accepted the invitation to dine with Jesus? Not a physical meal, but in a personal relationship with Him as Savior (the only that can save you) and Lord (the Master of your life, thoughts, and desires).**

**When is the last time that you invited someone to “dine with Jesus?” How would that impact your apathy to share Jesus with others? What is holding you back from sharing Jesus? If the church remains silent, what impact could it have for the future?**

#### **APPLICATION**

**Are you lukewarm in your devotion to God? If so, how do you sense Him drawing you back to Himself? If not, think back on a time when you were. What did you learn from that season?**

**What causes a church to lose its fervor for ministry and outreach? How does such a church affect the surrounding neighborhood? How can we make sure that isn’t happening at our church?**

**What would happen to spiritual apathy if people continually remained aware of God’s greatness? How can we help each other remember we are in God?**