

GRACE GROUPS STUDY GUIDE FALL WEEK #2

Week of September 27, 2026 | Revelation 2:18-29

DISCUSSION GUIDE

1-MIN OVERVIEW

The church at Thyatira was growing in love, faith, service, and perseverance, yet Jesus had a serious concern: they were tolerating sin in their midst. Deceptive teaching and compromise were spreading through their community with serious spiritual consequences. Their example challenges us to consider how we can continue growing in love without becoming so tolerant that we allow sin and false teaching to take root.



WARM UP

1. *What is something you used to love that has now lost its appeal, or something you disliked in the past that you've grown to love or appreciate? What do you think prompted this shift for you?*



KNOW IT

1. *Read the Letter to Thyatira in **Revelation 2:18-29**. What are your initial impressions? Does anything jump out at you as particularly interesting, encouraging or confusing?*
2. *How does Jesus introduce Himself to the church of Thyatira in **verse 18**? What might these descriptions be telling us about who He is and how does this set the stage for the rest of the letter?*



SHARE IT

1. *Read **verse 19** and discuss what this church is doing well. In what areas are they excelling, and what progression or growth is Jesus pointing out? How would you expect that to look like played out in their daily lives and relationships?*

2. Read **verse 20** and discuss this rebuke against the church of Thyatira. Based on what you know about the Old Testament, what comes to mind when you hear the name “Jezebel”? What kind of impact is this “Jezebel” having in the church?
3. Read **verses 21-23**. What does this show us about God’s character and His response to sin? How can we see both His justice and His mercy at work here, and what role does repentance play?



LIVE IT

1. Read **verse 20** again to identify what Jesus holds against the church as a whole community. What makes “tolerance” of false teaching or sinful behavior an easy option that’s difficult to combat, particularly in today’s culture?
2. The Bible is full of strong warnings about the dangers of allowing sin to creep in. Read **Deuteronomy 13:5, 1 Corinthians 5:6, 12-13** and **Galatians 5:7-10**, then discuss the analogy of yeast spreading through bread dough. How have you seen this play out in your own life? What steps should we take to guard our hearts and the church from letting anything but God’s truth take root?
3. Read **verses 25-29**. What does Jesus mean by “hold on to what you have until I come”, and what encouragement does that provide for believers experiencing pressure to compromise?

Suggested Daily Reading and Reflection

Passages: Day 1: Revelation 2:18-29; Day 2: Daniel 10; Day 3: 1 Kings 16:29-33; Day 4: John 7:36-52

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:9

Opening Prayer *Dear God, open my eyes so I may see wondrous things in your word. (Psalm 119:18). May your Holy Spirit help me to understand and apply it to my life for your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

 **Observe - 1st Reading** Read the passage to get the general flow. What does the passage say? Write 1-2 sentences summarizing key thought(s). Also, write down a verse you think is significant.

 **Digging Deeper - 2nd Reading** Underline action words and repeated phrases. Answer the questions: Who... is the author? are the recipients? are the key people? What events, teachings, commands, promises do you see? Why was the passage written? What problems are addressed?

 **Searching for Gold - 3rd Reading** Write down key words, themes, and observations. Dig for meaning in repeated phrases or theological terms. How does this passage ultimately point to Jesus?

 **Respond** Since God's Word is true, is there something new about God to ponder, commands to obey, promises to claim, sins to avoid, challenges to face, or examples to follow? Pick one of these and spend time writing how this truth can affect the way you think and live.

 **Connect** with God on what you learned. Praise Him for who He is (consider attributes of God revealed in reading). Thank Him for what He's done. Listen to Him. Confess sin. Bring requests to Him.



Memory Verse Choose one verse from reading and write it down each day.