

Red Letters - Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia & Laodicea

CALL TO WORSHIP

An invitation from God to all humanity to behold and join the story, work, and eternal worship of Jesus.

"Jesus is really alive. He sees you, hears you, and cares. He defeated sin and death so you can come to him today with all that is messy in you and find help and grace."

Revelation 22:17

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.



CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

A call to acknowledge and forsake sin against God and one another, and an invitation to receive the assurance of a new identity in the finished work of Christ.

CONFESSION

TOGETHER

God you are always faithful and steady in your patience toward us. We've closed our ears and numbed our hearts to your correction and call to repentance. We were spiritually dead, and you made us alive.

TOGETHER

But we often return to our body of death, doing the very thing we know we shouldn't. When we try to do what is right, our flesh resists constantly. We confess that too often our hearts follow after the false prophets of money, sex, and success; believing in them for joy, freedom, and meaning.

TOGETHER

You've offered yourself fully to us, but we are neither hot nor cold. We're content to play religious games and offer a lukewarm love back to you. Our half-hearted attempts at loving you completely are pitiable. We repent and hold fast to the promise of your forgiveness.

ASSURANCE

LEADER

For those in Christ, receive the assurance of your faith:
Even in all these things,
We are more than conquerors through Him who loves us.
When we confess our sin,
He does not waver or withhold His forgiveness.
He is not half hearted in His compassion for His people!



LEADER

He spared nothing.

He shed His own blood to fulfill these promises to us:

If we die with him, we will also live with him;

If we endure, we will also reign with him;

If we are faithless, he will always remain faithful!

Jesus, your great high priest and bright morning star,

is constantly praying that your faith may not fail.

TOGETHER:

Thanks be to God!

LEADER

Holy Spirit, give us ears to hear Your voice and a heart to do Your will.



BENEDICTION

A blessing from the authority of scripture spoken over the people of God.

LEADER

Jesus, the one who loves and speaks to His church says,
“Surely I am coming soon.”

TOGETHER

Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

LEADER

The Grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

