



Harvester Groups ***Seven Churches - Thyatira* | Group Questions for Week Four**

Open

- How has the idea of “tolerance” changed in your lifetime?

Discuss*

- How is the message to Pergamum and Thyatira similar? Different?
- In what ways does Jesus commend the church?
- What does Jesus condemn?
- One of the values of churches in the American Restoration Movement (of which Harvester is a part) is “in essentials unity; in opinions, liberty; and in all things love.” How can we tell the difference between essentials and opinions when it comes to Biblical teaching?

Reflect

- Discuss how the New Testament passages below give insight into how we might deal with those who might teach something we disagree with?
- What obstacles are keeping us from continuing to grow spiritually?
- What lessons are you learning from this passage?
- Based just on this discussion, what should we pray about?

References: Matthew 7:1-5; 18:15-18; 1 Corinthians 5:9-13; Galatians 6:1; James 3:1

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“Let us speak clearly and boldly for righteousness, but in a way that honors what the Scriptures say about honoring our leaders. We don’t correct one sin through another.”

~ J.D. Greer

**Use these questions to guide your discussion. Don’t feel like you have to go through all of them and make sure you take time to talk through any questions and observations from either the sermon or the lesson with the group.*