



Harvester Groups ***Seven Churches - Laodicea* | Group Questions for Week Seven**

Open

- When was a time that you became aware of a blindspot in your life? How were you made aware of it?

Discuss*

- How does knowing some of the background of Laodicea help you to understand the message of Jesus to the church?
- Don pointed out that many Bible translations use the word "spit" or "spew" instead of the more literal "vomit" in verse 16. What difference does that make?
- Three points of application were 1) We are always quick to receive comfort from Jesus, but often resist correction; 2) There is a dangerous connection between physical wealth and spiritual poverty; 3) It's never too late to repent. Which one of these tends to be hardest for most Christians? For you?
- To whom is Jesus speaking in Revelation 3:19-20? How might this change the way you understand these verses?

Reflect

- In the next week, how can you be intentional about creating the space for God to show you what blindspot(s) he wants to address in your life?
- Who do you have in your life that you can invite into this process of identifying blindspots?
- Based just on this discussion, what should we pray about?

Digging Deeper

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The process of being formed in the image of Christ takes place primarily at the points of our unlikeness to Christ's image.

~ Robert Mulholland

**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.*