

LAODICEA quotes

1) “And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and annoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.” Revelation 3:14-19.

2) “The state of the Church represented by the foolish virgins, is also spoken of as the Laodicean state.” Review and Herald, August 19, 1890 (vol 2, p 420).

So Laodicea is the same as the foolish virgins – whose door of probation shut while they were without Christ (see Matthew 25:10-13). But this is not all; we are also told something else about foolish virgins or Laodiceans.

“Satan uses those who claim to believe the truth, but whose light has become darkness, **as his mediums** to utter his falsehood, and transmit his darkness. They are foolish virgins indeed, choosing darkness rather than light, and dishonoring God.” Review and Herald, August 19, 1890 (vol 2, p 419).

3) “The call to the gospel feast is first to be given in the highways. It must be given to those who claim to be in the highways of Christian experience--to **the members of the different churches**. 'He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.' Revelation 2:7. In these churches there are true worshippers and there are false worshippers...The warning for the last church also must be proclaimed to all who claim to be Christians. The Laodicean message, like a sharp, two-edged sword, must go to all the churches.” Testimonies, vol 6, p 76-77.

The Laodicean message “must be given to the members of the different churches”-- which means apostate Protestantism. The Protestant churches became Babylon in 1844 when they rejected the first angel’s message (see Spirit of Prophecy, vol 4, p 239).

4) Christ and Satan have nothing in common, that they do not have any agreement or fellowship with each other.

“...what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial?” 2 Corinthians 6:14-15).

So then as Christ and Satan have no agreement or fellowship with each other, and since Laodicea is in the camp of Satan, then where is Christ? He can not be a part of the Laodicean church!

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock...” Revelation 3:20.

“The church is in the Laodicean state. **The presence of God is not in her midst.**” Notebook Leaflets, book 1, p 99.

5) Christ and Belial have no fellowship or agreement together, and neither can their followers!

“Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers...[For] what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?...Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.” 2 Corinthians 6:11-15, 17-18.

We are either with, or are against Christ (see Matthew 12:30). We are either a part of, or are against Christ (see Mark 9:40). Either we are for, or against Christ (see Luke 9:50). And if we are against Christ, then what are we? Anti-Christ! If we are against Christ, we are anti-Christ. And how many anti-Christ are there. There are many anti-Christ--especially in this last day!

“Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; wherefore we know that it is the last time.” 1 John 2:18.

6) While we are still part of Laodicea, we will not receive the seal of God (see SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 963). While we are contaminated with laodiceanism, we cannot be used of God (see General Conference Daily Bulletin, February 28, 1893). And if we continue in this Laodicean condition, then we are destined for the wrath of God and the seven last plagues--to be destroyed right along with all the rest of Babylon (see Manuscript Releases, vol 19, p 176).

7) What is the description of Laodicea and laodiceanism?

1. Affections attached on the earth--Colossians 3:2.
2. Aids enemy in weakening and discouraging those building up God's work (such as the fireman fighting the firemen)--Testimonies, vol 4, p 87.
3. Allows children to form careless, demoralizing habits--Testimonies, vol 7, p 66-67.
4. Allows children to make friends with wrong influences--Testimonies, vol 7, p 66-67.
5. Allows trials to separate them from Christ--Notebook Leaflets, bk 1, p 99.
6. Allows filthy communication to come out of mouth--Colossians 3:8.
7. Are not humble of mind--Colossians 3:12.
8. Are not kind--Colossians 3:12.
9. Are not long-suffering--Colossians 3:12.

10. Are not meek--Colossians 3:11.
11. Are not merciful--Colossians 3:12.
12. Backslidden upon health reform--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 269-74.
13. Beholds things in a perverted light as Satan would have them see--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 961.
14. Believes they are so sanctified that it is impossible to sin--Review and Herald, vol 1, p 194.
15. Carries the dress question to extreme--Spiritual Gifts, book 2, p 222.
16. Character formed mostly of self with little of Christ--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 6, p 1101.
17. Children not obeying parents in all things in the Lord--Colossians 3:20.
18. Children not pleasing the Lord--Colossians 3:20.
19. Deceptive--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 962.

20. Deficient in fervent devotion--Testimonies, vol 4, p 87.
21. Depends on own wisdom--Signs of the Times, vol 3, p 83.
22. Discerns mote in eyes of others, but not the beam in own eyes-- Testimonies to Ministers, p 296.
23. Does not allow the word of God to dwell in them--Colossians 3:16.
24. Does not battle nobly with tribulation, danger, trials, tests, and provings of God--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 275.
25. Does not bear decided testimony in favor of health reform--Manuscript Releases, vol 1, p 281.
26. Does not bear decided witness in favor of truth--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 962; Manuscript Releases, vol 1, p 281.
27. Does not care to unite with certain ones in faith--Test, vol 8, p 104.
28. Does not closely follow principles of faith--Testimonies, vol 4, p 87.
29. Does not communicate light to others--Pamphlet #39, p 9.

30. Does not continue in prayer--Colossians 4:2.
31. Does not cultivate the graces of the Spirit in the life--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
32. Does not do works of Christ--Series B#7, p 13.
33. Does not follow instructions in John chapter 17--Loma Linda Mess, p 86.
34. Does not forebear one another--Colossians 3:13.
35. Does not forgive those who have a quarrel against them--Col 3:13.
36. Does not give a distinct warning to others--Testimonies to Min, p 296.
37. Does not have child-like trust in God--Manuscript Rel, vol 18, p 193.
38. Does not have whole-hearted obedience to God--Man Rel, vol 7, p 264.
39. Does not have zealous repentance--Pamphlet #39, p 9.

40. Does not know how to give an answer to every one who asks-- Colossians 4:6.
41. Does not love one another, including unbelievers, as Christ does-- Pamphlet #138, p 47.
42. Does not manifest charity--Colossians 3:14.
43. Does not manifest zealous efforts to overcome--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
44. Does not overcome as Christ overcame--Revelation 3:21.
45. Does not perceive sinfulness--Testimonies, vol 6, p 77.
46. Does not pray for the messengers of the Lord--Colossians 4:3.
47. Does not search the Scriptures--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
48. Does not shed a tender warmth and a love to others--Pam #39, p 9.
49. Does not tax mental powers--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 307-08.

50. Does not teach children line upon line, precept upon precept in God's word-- Testimonies, vol 7, p 66-67.
51. Does not walk in wisdom towards unbelievers--Colossians 4:5.
52. Dwells much upon the dress question--Spiritual Gifts, book 2, p 222.
53. Exalts self by manifesting pride--Manuscript Releases, vol 18, p 193.
54. Exalts worldly business above heavenly business--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
55. Exerts no personal effort in the saving of other souls--Pam #39, p 9.
56. Fathers discouraging children--Colossians 3:21.
57. Fathers provoking children to anger--Colossians 3:21.
58. Filled with pride of opinion--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 363-64.
59. Following doctrines of men--Colossians 2:22.

60. Goes to places of amusement--Testimonies, vol 3, p 41.
61. Has a name, but no zeal for God--Testimonies, vol 4, p 87.
62. Has no experience in putting to stretch utmost ability to find out truth-- Review and Herald, vol 2, p 307-08.

63. Heart is not knit together in love with all fellow believers--Colossians 2:2.
64. Husbands not loving wives as they should--Colossians 3:19.
65. Indulges appetite--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 269-74.
66. Indulges carnal lusts--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 269-74.
67. Is boastful--Manuscript Releases, vol 18, p 193.
68. Is not cheerful when having to sacrifice to help those in need--Review and Herald, vol 4, p 105-06.
69. Is not glad to follow example of Jesus in all things--Review and Herald, vol 4, p 105-06.

70. Is not putting off sins--Colossians 2:11.
71. Is not rich in good works--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 275-76.
72. Is not seeking that which is lost--Manuscript Releases, vol 9, p 61.
73. Is not standing perfect or complete in will of God--Colossians 4:12.
74. Lacks earnest untiring effort--Selected Messages, book 1, p 196.
75. Lives at ease--Youth's Instructor, p 274-75.
76. Lives for self--Our High Calling, p 348.
77. Makes the Sabbath annoying to unbelievers--Notebook Leaf, bk 1, p 56.
78. Makes themselves hated because they make the truth a matter of a quarrel with neighbors--Notebook Leaflets, book 1, p 56.
79. Mind is allowed to be molded by spouse--Pamphlet #138, p 47.

80. Mind is not on heavenly things--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
81. Motives not pure--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 966.
82. Murmurs at the straight testimony to them--This Day With God, p 278; Manuscript Releases, vol 18, p 232.
83. Neglects children in spiritual things--Testimonies, vol 7, p 66-67.
84. No sanctifying power in life--Selected Messages, book 1, p 357.
85. Not alert for men to try and spoil them through philosophy and tradition--Colossians 2:8.
86. Not humble--Periodical Resource Collection, vol 2, p 536-38.
87. Not imitating the self-denying Saviour--Pamphlet #138, p 47.
88. Not perfect in character--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 964.
89. Not pure in heart--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 966.

90. Not ready or waiting for Christ's appearing--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
91. Not realizing that Christ is God--Colossians 2:9.
92. Not realizing that the feast days, its sabbaths, and new moons were done away with at Christ's death--Col 2:16-17; Manuscript Rel, vol 7, p 333-34, vol 5, p 210; Fundamentals of Christian Education, p 398.

93. Not rooted and built up in Christ--Colossians 2:7.
94. Not seeking wisdom to use goods to advance God's glory in the earth-- Pamphlet #39, p 9.
95. Places themselves in places of temptations where they see and hear much that is contrary to God and detrimental to spirituality--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 221-22.
96. Prays without point or purpose--Pamphlet #39, p 9.
97. Ready to defend self--This Day With God, p 278.
98. Refuses to yield up own ideas even when ample evidence is given to contrary-- Selected Messages, book 2, p 69.
99. Relies on feelings--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 966.
100. Relies on impressions--Spiritual Gifts, book 2, p 222.
101. Sabbath is merely a cessation of physical labor--Man Rel, vol 19, p 255.
102. Selfish in some things--SDA Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 962.
103. Shows hardness, coldness, and want of sympathy except for a favorite few-- Manuscript Releases, vol 9, p 61.
104. Shows little self-denial--Review and Herald, vol 2, p 269-74.
105. Spends years in truth, but little advancement in spiritual and divine life-- Pamphlet #39, p 9.
106. Stubborn--Periodical Resource Collection, vol 2, p 536-38.
107. They keep barriers up against others (races, religions, or slaves)-- Colossians 3:11.
108. Trying to delve into things kept secret by God--Colossians 2:18.
109. Will not arise and shine for God--Manuscript Releases, vol 18, p 41.

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8) "...I was shown the people of God, and saw them mightily shaken. Some, with strong faith and agonizing cries, were pleading with God. Their countenances were pale, and marked with deep anxiety, expressive of their internal struggle. Firmness and great earnestness were expressed in their countenances, while large drops of perspiration fell from their foreheads. Now and then their faces would light up with the marks of God's approbation, and again the same solemn, earnest, anxious look would settle upon them....

"Some, I saw, did not participate in this work of agonizing and pleading. They seemed indifferent and careless. They were not resisting the darkness around them, and it shut them in like a thick cloud. The angels of God left these, and I saw them hastening to the assistance of those who were struggling with all their energies to resist the evil angels, and trying to help themselves by calling upon God with perseverance. But the angels left those who made no effort to help themselves, and I lost sight of them. As the praying ones continued their earnest cries, a ray of light from Jesus would at times come to them, to encourage their hearts, and light up their countenances.

“I asked the meaning of the shaking I had seen, and was shown that it would be caused by the straight testimony called forth by the counsel of the True Witness to the Laodiceans. This will have its effect upon the heart of the receiver, and will lead him to exalt the standard and pour forth the straight truth. Some will not bear this straight testimony. They will rise up against it, and **this will cause a shaking among God's people**.

“The testimony of the True Witness has not been half heeded. The solemn testimony upon which **the destiny of the church hangs** has been lightly esteemed, if not entirely disregarded. This testimony must work deep repentance, and all that truly receive it will obey it and be purified....My attention was then turned to the company I had seen, who were mightily shaken. I was shown those who I had before seen weeping and praying with agony of spirit. The company of guardian angels around them had been doubled, and they were clothed with an armor from their head to their feet. **They moved in exact order, firmly, like a company of soldiers**. Their countenances expressed the severe conflict which they had endured, the agonizing struggle they had passed through. Yet their features, marked with severe internal anguish, now shone with the light and glory of heaven. They had obtained the victory, and it called forth from them the deepest gratitude and holy sacred joy.

“The numbers of this company had lessened. Some had been shaken out, and left by the way. The careless and indifferent, who did not join with those who prized victory and salvation enough to perseveringly plead and agonize for it, did not obtain it, and they were left behind in darkness, but their numbers were immediately made up by others taking hold of the truth and coming into the ranks. Still the evil angels pressed around them, but they could have no power over them.

“I heard those clothed with the armor speak forth the truth in great power. It had effect. I saw those who had been bound; some wives had been bound by their husbands, and some children had been bound by their parents. The honest who had been held or prevented from hearing the truth, now eagerly laid hold of it. All fear of their relatives was gone. The truth alone was exalted to them. It was dearer and more precious than life. They had been hungering and thirsting for truth. I asked what had made this great change. An angel answered: **It is the latter rain, the refreshing from the presence of the Lord, the loud cry of the third angel**.

“Great power was with these chosen ones.” Testimonies, vol 1, p 179-183.

9) “Not one of us will ever receive the seal of God while our characters have one spot or stain upon them. It is left with us to remedy the defects in our characters, to cleanse the soul temple of every defilement. **Then the latter rain will fall** upon us as the early rain fell upon the disciples on the Day of Pentecost.” Testimonies, vol 5, p 214.

What is at stake with us regarding this straight testimony to Laodicea? The receiving of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in latter rain and loud cry power! Hence our whole destiny hangs in the balance on how we respond and treat this message! So what is at stake is the seal of the living God – the settling into the truth so that you cannot be moved (see SDA Bible Commentary, vol 4, p 1161) – salvation and eternal life!

10) “Then I saw Laodiceans. They will make a mighty effort. Will they get the victory?...They are coming to conclusions that bring them into close quarters, and they cannot tell where they be themselves, for they are lost in the foggy, terrible fear that takes hold of them. Anguish of spirit will seize them. Dare they admit that the door is shut? The sin against the Holy Ghost was to ascribe to Satan what belongs to God or what the Holy Ghost has done. They said the shut door was of the devil and now admit it is against their own lives. **They shall die the death.**” Manuscript Releases, vol 13, p 301-302.

11) “Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of our salvation” 2 Corinthians 6:2.

“While it is said, To day (for tomorrow may be too late) if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” Hebrews 3:15.

“Do not leave this place till you are fitted up for the work. You can be a blessing for the cause of God or you can be a curse. **Which will you be?**” 1888 Materials, p 588.