

A Journey of Intimacy With God - Part 9
Sometimes It Requires a Complete Change of Direction
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Sermon Passage: Revelation 3:14 - 21 (NIV)

"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write:

These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne."

NINE (9) QUESTIONS:

- #1. When was the last time I spent time just thinking about the greatness and power of God?
- #2. Is this mighty God the God I serve?
- #3. Do I walk through my day as an "I" or a "we"?

- #4. Have I set God aside in any area of my life?
 - a. Money
 - b. Business
 - c. Family
 - d. Future planning
 - e. Entertainment
- #5. Do I desire to live fully as God created me - filled with joy and a blessing to others?
- #6. Do I focus on buying eternity with my finances?
- #7. Am I known for my godly living in all areas of my life?
- #8. Do I see the world as God sees the world?
- #9. Is there an area in my life where I need to change my direction?

MEMORY VERSE FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

"And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love."

2 John 1:6 (NIV)