



Hot Or Cold? (Revelation 3:14-22)

The Lord introduces himself. Verse 14

- ▶ *“the Amen”* a word used to affirm and guarantee a statement as absolutely true and trustworthy, therefore the true and faithful witness.
- ▶ *“the beginning of the creation of God.”* The source or origin. John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:15-16

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The condition of the church.

- ▶ *“I know thy works”* Acts 8:22; Ecclesiastes 12:14; Hebrews 4:13; Romans 2:16; Psalms 139:1-3
- ▶ *“Neither hot nor cold.”*
 - Hot ... *“zestos” fervent in spirit, to boil*
 - Cold ... *“psuchros” Literally a “cup of cold water”*
Matthew 10:42; Joshua 24:14-15

Examples: 1 Corinthians 3:1-3; Hebrews 5:12; 6:4-6; Luke 18:1ff

- ▶ Unity in diversity encourages lukewarmness.
2 Timothy 4:3-4; 2 John 9; Ephesians 6:10-17; 1 Timothy 6:12

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- ▶ *They were destitute, verses 17-18.*
Influence of environment. cf. Revelation 2:8-9; Matthew 5:16; 2 Corinthians 3:2-3; 1 Corinthians 5

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wretched 2. Miserable 3. Poor 4. Blind 5. Naked 	}	Unstable souls. 1 Peter 2:14; James 1:6-8; 1 Kings 18:21; Ephesians 4:14
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The Lord's conclusion, verses 19-22

- ▶ *“As many as I love”* - *phileo* = affection and emotion which one holds toward another.
- ▶ I *“reprove”* correct, discipline.
- ▶ *“Be zealous therefore and repent”*

- ▶ He convinces and instructs through His word.
2 Timothy 3:16-17; 4:2; Revelation 3:22.
Consider again, Matthew 7:21

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- ▶ *"I stand at the door and knock"*
- ▶ *"I will sup with him ..."*
- ▶ *"He that overcometh"*
- ▶ *"He that hath an ear, let him hear ..."*

The Lord's Invitation

"If any man hear my voice" - the invitation of the gospel is made to all.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock" - the movement toward reconciliation and friendship is originated by the Savior.

"If any man will hear my voice, and open the door" - there is a recognition of our own free agency in religion. - the ease of the terms of salvation.

"I will sup with him, and he with me." - the blessedness of thus admitting him, arising from his friendship.
- What friend can man have who would confer so many benefits on him as the Lord Jesus Christ?