

Dear Laodicea // Rev. 3:14-22





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 - Possibly established by Epaphras (Col. 1:7; 4:12-15)

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- You will <u>reign</u> with him (v. 21)

Message Disclaimer

Over the years I have been blessed by many pastors, theologians, and commentators whose writings have brought much needed clarity to my own sermons. As a result, my sermons are somewhat of a melting pot of these ideas, put together through hours of personal study, reflection, writing, and prayer. As it's been said before, "I milk a lot of cows, but I churn my own butter."

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I pray these messages will be a blessing and source of encouragement to all who use them to grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18).

In Christ, Pastor Brad Beckwith

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