

Revelation 2:24-25 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden. **(25) But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.**

burden G922 *baros* Our Lord saying He will lay upon us no other burden, and talking about what we have already, sends us to Acts 15.

Acts 15:28-29 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater **burden [G922 *baros*]** than these necessary things; (29) That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

You already have My will on this subject, so I won't be laying any additional burden, no additional rules to obey. Just hold fast to what you already have.

APPLICATION:

The religious laws that our Lord Jesus has given us are necessary. We will cause trouble for ourselves and others if we do not follow them.

But religious laws from the Old Covenant or religious laws made up by men are a burden that our Lord Jesus has not laid on us.

Revelation 2:26-27 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: **(27) And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.**

One of the most distressing things about Jezebel was that she was the queen, and had very much power and influence while her husband and sons were the kings of Israel. So, also, one of the most distressing things about Jezebel at Thyatira was how she had managed to set up as a prophet and teacher in the congregation.

Here our Lord Jesus promises us that such people as Ahab and Jezebel, while they may have influence for a while in this world, will not rule forever. Our Lord Jesus Christ will come back, and will crush all of His enemies. And somehow our Lord Jesus will allow us to rule with Him.

Revelation 2:28 And I will give him the morning star.

The morning star is the planet Venus. At certain times, it shines very brightly in the East, appearing shortly before the sun comes up at dawn.

It is much more important in many other places and times than it is for us. For people

-with very little artificial light

-with not watches or clocks to know what time it is

-who have to keep watch at night, as shepherds or guards or soldiers

-who have so much work to do outside that they need to start right at dawn

The morning star signals that the dark night is ending and the day is about to dawn.

To see the morning star is a very welcome thing for such people.

To be given the morning star is a picture of great blessedness.

Revelation 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.