PERGAMOS & THYATIRA: CHURCHES OF COMPROMISE

Revelation 2:12-29

INTRODUCTION:

*Our church must never compromise with those who practice what Jesus hates! (v. 15

Remember 4 facts about compromise:

I. COMPROMISE IS <u>NEVER JUSTIFIED!</u> (V. 13, 19)

(The <u>Inexcusableness</u> of Joining Hands With False Religion)

- A. Compromise is not justified, even though <u>you are doing a work for Christ</u> (v. 13a, 19)
- B. Compromise is not justified, even though <u>wickedness abounds all around you</u> (v. 13b)
- C. Compromise is not justified, even though you may personally remain "unaffected" by it (v. 13c)
- II. COMPROMISE MUST BE IDENTIFIED! (V. 14-15, 20-21)

(The Warning About Joining Hands With False Religion)

- A. Compromise happens when a church is tolerant
- B. Compromise happens when a Church is <u>deceived</u>
 - 1. Beware: They are <u>religious</u>
 - 2. Beware: They are <u>seductive</u>
- III. COMPROMISE HAS <u>SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES!</u> (V. 16, 22-23)

(The <u>Price Tag</u> for Joining Hands With False Religion)

IV. OVERCOMING COMPROMISE HAS GREAT REWARD! (V. 17, 24-29)

(The Prize for Refusing to Join Hands With False Religion)