The Church at Thyatira, continual sacrifice

- **I.** Overview of the church that represents the Roman Catholic Church starting around 590AD with Gregory the Great.
 - 1. Begins with faith and love—spiritual (v. 19).
 - 2. Let "works" take priority over faith and love (v. 21).
 - 3. Collectively they will not change their mind (v. 21).
 - 4. Collectively they will go through the Tribulation (v. 22).
 - 5. This organization will spawn other cults (v. 23).
 - 6. There is still potential for believers in organization (v. 22).
 - 7. The Image of judgment:
 - 1) Eyes of flame (cf. 1:14; 1 Cor. 4:5).
 - 2) Feet like refined brass (cf. 1:15).
- **II.** The symbol of Jezebel, the seductive nonbeliever who entices believers to participate in idolatry under the pretext of material gain (1 Ki. 16:31-32).
 - 1. Ahab the king of the northern 10 Tribes marries a non-Jewish woman.
 - 2. Jezebel enticed Ahab to participate in idolatry and material gain (1 Ki. 21:16).
 - 3. Eating things sacrificed to idols with religious significance (*cf.* 1 Cor. 10:19-29).
- III. As "works" take precedence, the Woman Jezebel:
 - 1. Calls herself a prophetess—supernatural.
 - 2. Seduces believers to commit spiritual fornication.
 - 3. Begins the practice of eating things sacrificed to idols.
 - 4. The Woman is the source of false doctrine.
 - 5. Make the Lordian Table an idol by negating its symbolic nature.
 - 6. Use non-symbolic approach to the Lordian Table.
 - 1) The bread actually becomes His flesh.
 - 2) The cup actually becomes His blood.
 - 3) "We (Catholics with the Eucharist) receive the actual body, blood and divinity of Christ."
 - 4) Neglect, negate Christ's sacrifice (Heb. 10:10-12).