

## The Compromising Church at Pergamum Revelation 2:12-17

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### A. The Head of the Church in Pergamum

1. He judges His church                      Rev. 2:12; Rev. 1:16; Rev. 19:15
2. He judges by His Word                      Rev. 2:12; Hebrews 4:12
3. He protects by His Word                      Ps. 119:9, 24, 76, 98, 114; Eph. 6:17

### B. His commendations to the church at Pergamum

1. Perseverance for Christ's Name      Rev. 2:13b; Acts 4:8-12
2. Perseverance for Christ's faith      Rev. 2:13c; Acts 4:13-20

### C. His condemnations to the church at Pergamum

1. Tolerance of false teaching
  - Teaching of Balaam                      Revelation 2:14
  - Teaching of the Nicolaitans              Revelation 2:15
2. Lack of discernment
  - Satan's presence                      Rev. 2:13, John 12:31; 2 Cor. 4:3-4
  - Satan's activity                      Rev. 2:13

### D. His warnings to the church at Pergamum

1. His warfare against false teachers      Rev. 2:16
2. His correction of passive believers      Rev. 2:16

### E. His rewards to the overcomers in Pergamum

1. White manna                      Rev. 2:17
  - The Word of God                      Matthew 4:4
  - The Lord Jesus                      John 6:48-51; Col. 3:1-4
2. White stone                      Rev. 2:17
3. New name                      Rev. 2:17; Rev. 3:12

## LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE COMPROMISING CHURCH

1. Be on guard against a compromising life.
2. Elect discerning leaders who fear God more than people.
3. We must endure suffering for truth.
4. Study to know the wiles and methods of Satan.
5. Keep our eyes on the prize – fellowship with Christ in heaven.