

# THE BOOK OF REVELATION

## Context:

1. Laodicea was a \_\_\_\_\_ city.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ wool (softer, stronger, darker than anywhere else)
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ cream (made from crushing certain rock into powder)
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. 17AD Earthquake.
  
2. Laodicea was unusual in that it was \_\_\_\_\_ located near any fresh water source.
  - a. They were located in the place where their source of \_\_\_\_\_ was.
  - b. They had to bring their water in via aqueduct
  
3. Hierapolis, to the North, was famous for their \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Medicinal
  - b. Hot and soothing
  - c. Luxurious and impressive (indoor private as well as outdoor public bathes)
  
4. Colossae, to the East, was famous for their \_\_\_\_\_ streams of \_\_\_\_\_ water
  - a. 100s of snow melt creeks flowed into the Lycus river valley at Colossae
  - b. Located in the foothills of 9000' Mt. Cadmus, covered in snow year round
  
5. Laodicea was known for \_\_\_\_\_ water.
  - a. Their water had much of the mineral content of Hierapolis, but was **not hot**.
  - b. The water they brought in from fresher sources was **not cold**.
  - c. Their **best water** was \_\_\_\_\_, which neither had the appeal of the hot water up north, nor the cold water to the East.
  
6. Summary
  - a. Laodicea was self-confident, self-sufficient, self-sustaining, and self-indulged
  - b. Laodicea was wealthy, influential, impressive, and enviable.

## Laodicea – Revelation 3:14-22

1. Jesus introduces himself as:
  - a. The Amen He is the \_\_\_\_\_ authority
  - b. The faithful and true witness He tells it like it is, **honest**, \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. The ruler of God's creation He is \_\_\_\_\_, He calls the shots
2. Their deeds were neither hot, not cold.
  - a. They were \_\_\_\_\_ medicinal, soothing, or restoring to those around them
  - b. They were \_\_\_\_\_ refreshing, life giving, or tasteful either.
  - c. They were not \_\_\_\_\_ to unbelievers to God in any way.
  - d. They were just \_\_\_\_\_. They were **not** making a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - e. Instead of exercising faith in times of trouble, they were \_\_\_\_\_.
3. They said they were rich, God said they were \_\_\_\_\_.  
They said they had no needs, God said they were \_\_\_\_\_ and pitiful.  
They produced high quality wool clothing, but God said they were \_\_\_\_\_.  
They produced healing eye cream creams, but God said they were \_\_\_\_\_.
4. God's instruction was to seek \_\_\_\_\_ wealth, health, and security so that they become \_\_\_\_\_ and begin to make a difference.
5. God promises that he is saying this (discipline) because He loves them, and if they seek him, He is ready for a close relationship with them.

### Application:

1. Comfort is a commodity sold by \_\_\_\_\_. See Matthew 5:1-10.
2. Engagement is the command of our \_\_\_\_\_. See Matthew 28:18-20
3. **Worldly success** can become an addictive drug that numbs you to your need for God.
4. God did not condemn for being wealthy, He condemned them for their \_\_\_\_\_.