

CHECKING OUR MOTIVES

REVELATION 2:12-17

- CHRIST: Sharp two edged SWORD.
2:12, 16
- COMMENDATION: You hold fast MY NAME and you did not DENY MY FAITH.
2:13
- CORRECTION: You have some who hold to the TEACHING OF BALAAM who put a STUMBLING BLOCK before the sons of Israel.
2:14-15
- CALL: REPENT.
2:16
- CONFIRMATION: To the ones who conquer I will give some of the HIDDEN MANNA, a white STONE with a NEW NAME written on it.
2:17



DEAR CHURCH

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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

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1. What are some commendations you have for Temecula Hills?
2. How can we live separated from the world, yet still be a shining light? (think practically)
3. Consider I Corinthians 10:13. Did Balaam have opportunities to get right with God? What were they? How can we ensure we are **in God's plan?**
4. **In our text, Jesus said, "some of the people were holding to" ...does it really matter what "some" of the people hold to? Isn't it just majority? Why/Why not? Read and comment on Galatians 5:7-9.**
5. How can we check our motives? Look at Acts 4:32.
6. What are some wrong motives? Why are they harmful to the church?
7. How can we as a church ensure we have unity of mind and purpose? I Peter 3:8

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