

 **Watch It****Video 2: Letter to the Lukewarm**

*To help remember Cindy's lesson, you might want to take notes below as the video plays.*

**Observations**

**"Kingdom of Me"** living

**God's** will vs. my "To Do" list

**Created** for passionate, purposeful, kingdom-centered living

**John** 10:10 (AMP)

**Foundational Verses:** Revelation 3:14–22

**The** letter:

**l**etter from John

**m**essage from Jesus

**t**o the church at Laodicea

**The** three major industries Laodicea was known for:

1. **B**anking Center
2. Textile Industry (soft black **w**ool)
3. School of Medicine (eye **s**alve)

**Pe**ople of Laodicea: **s**elf-absorbed, arrogant, and **s**elf-sufficient

**Ch**urch of Laodicea: **s**elf-sufficient, arrogant, spiritually impoverished

## Insight 1

**Lukewarm:**

**St**ale, stagnant, disgusting, **useless**\_\_\_\_\_, good-for-nothing

**Lukewarm** should not be the norm!

## Insight 2

**Repent:**

**Turn** away from sin and change one's behavior

Repent and make things right.

## Insight 3

**Chr**ist is on the outside of His church with a continuous **knocking**.

**If** anyone hears His voice and opens the door, Christ promises to come right in.

**The** key to living with Red Hot Faith is a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus.

**Two** very important questions:

1. Have you opened the door and invited Jesus in as the Lord and Savior of your life?
2. What habits, attitudes, or actions are getting in the way of your Red Hot Faith?



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*"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ." —Romans 10:17*



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### Video 3: Be of Some Use

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#### **Observations**

**W**ondering about God's purpose

**F**oundational Verses: Revelation 3:14–22

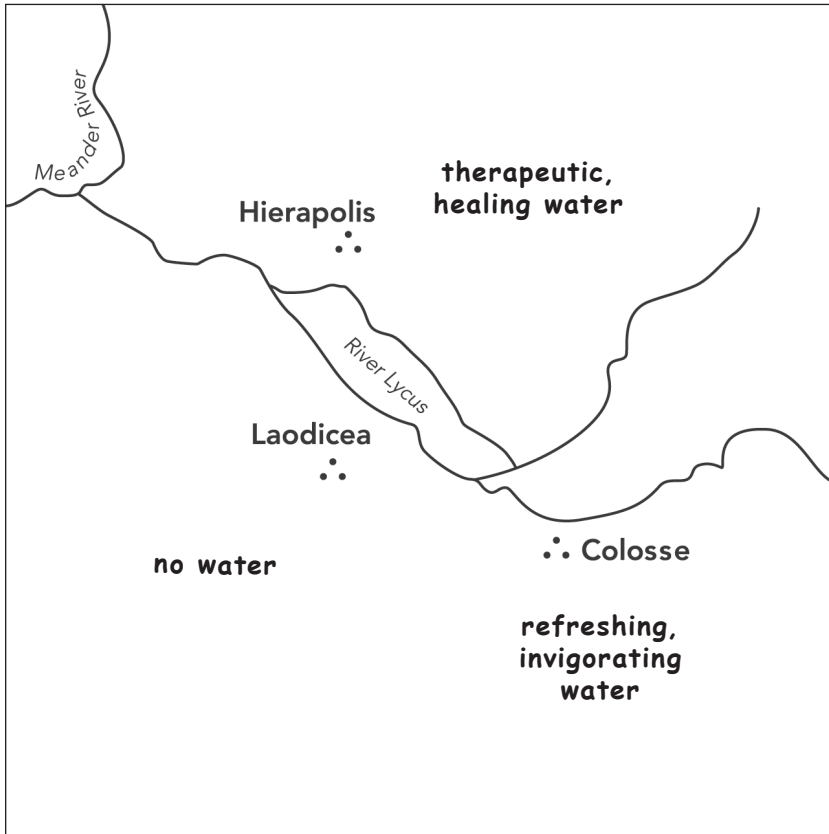
**L**ycus River Valley

**T**rade Routes:

**R**oman roads used to travel and conduct business

**P**assing through Laodicea

## Sister cities tour



## Construction project

**L**aodicea had lukewarm water

**C**olosse had cold water

**H**ierapolis had hot water

**Revelation** 3:15–16: hot and cold

**Be** hot! Be cold! Be something! be of some use!

**Making** a difference: Marla’s story

**Hot** or cold as you take your route

**What** can we learn from the lukewarm church?

1. Don’t let the things you don’t have make you forget the things you do have.

**Go**d, I don’t have \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Go**d, I do have \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Don't confuse your daily responsibilities with your \_\_\_\_\_  
—**purpose**\_\_\_\_\_.

**Isaiah** 43:10

**Acts** 1:8

**You** don't have to be a weirdo to be a **witness**\_\_\_\_\_.

**Red** Hot Faith in action!



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*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for  
the Lord, not for men." —Colossians 3:23*  
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### Video 4: In Need of Nothing

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#### Observations

**Cindy** the Laodicean

**How** do we break free from self-sufficiency in a world that affirms independence and self-reliance?

**Review** of Laodicea's industries and people

**Jesus'** words to the church: Revelation 3:14–17

**What** God cares about: 1 Samuel 16:7

**Three** vases: Three ways of living

\_\_\_\_\_ **the Laodicean** \_\_\_\_\_ Way—

\_\_\_\_\_ **the world's** \_\_\_\_\_ Way—

\_\_\_\_\_ **Christ's** \_\_\_\_\_ Way—

**John** 4:14

**To** experience Christ's sufficiency, we must—

**1.** \_\_\_\_\_ **come** \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ

2. Let go.

"God can't put His riches into hands that are already full." —Chuck Swindoll<sup>8</sup>

3. Receive God's remedy

What do I need?



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*"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."*

*—2 Corinthians 12:9*



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### Video 5: Testing Times

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#### **Observations**

**C**indy's visit in the goldsmith's shop

**R**efining process

**H**ave you experienced the refiner's fire?

**C**lues you're in the fire

**C**hrist's offer to buy gold refined in the fire

**R**evelation 3:18

**"Buy** from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich."

**1 P**eter 1:6–7

**S**ometimes it's in the fire that our faith becomes red hot!

**F**ive lessons from trials <sup>11</sup>

1. Testing strengthens our character.

**J**ames 1:2–4

**A** red hot woman withstands the heat!

2. Testing proves believers are God's children.

Hebrews 12:5–6, 10 MSG

3. Testing may come because God is pleased with us.

Job's example

4. Testing proves our faith is genuine.

When the heat is on, who we are and what we truly believe is revealed.

Daniel 3:17

5. Tested faith gives honor to God.

**R**evelation 3:18

**W**hat does *rich* mean?

**O**ur riches in Christ

**T**he more you are refined, the clearer others can see Jesus Christ in you.



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*"But he knows the way that I take; when he has tested me, I will come forth as gold." —Job 23:10*

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### Video 6: White Clothes to Wear

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#### Observations

**What** not to wear

**Know:**

"having intimate knowledge of someone"

"In Revelation 3:15, Jesus is saying, 'I know everything about you. I see everything you do. I know the motives and intents of your heart—every thought you think and everything you feel.'" —Rick Renner<sup>12</sup>

**Shameful** nakedness

In Revelation 3:18, "nakedness" is a shameful condition.



**Definition** of *shame* (Dictionary.com):

1. the painful feeling arising from the consciousness of something dishonorable, improper, ridiculous, done by oneself or another: *She was overcome with shame.*
2. a fact or circumstance bringing disgrace or regret: *The bankruptcy of the business was a shame.*

**In** Revelation 3:18, it's more of a poisonous shame, a painful emotion that causes deep regret and sorrow.

Circumstance	Healthy Shame	Poisonous Shame
Make mistake	won't do that again	I'm a failure
Overeat	I'll go on a long walk tonight	I'm so fat, I blow it all the time
Divorce	I feel sad, I feel hurt	I'm so unloved, so rejected

**Genesis** 2:25 – The origin of *shame*

**Did** God really say?

**Coverings**

**White** clothes: Revelation 3:18

**The** “white robe of righteousness in Christ”  
**pure, completely forgiven, without  
guilt before God**

**2** Corinthians 5:21

**1** John 1:9

**We** don’t have to live covered, because Jesus has covered it  
all for us.

**He** knows, He forgives, He loves



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*“Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered  
with shame.” —Psalm 34:5*

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### Video 7: Receiving Sight

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#### Observations

**The** rich irony

1. Dictionary definition—*blind*: [adj. \blind\]<sup>17</sup>
  - a. unable to see; lacking the sense of sight; sightless.
  - b. unwilling or unable to perceive or understand.

2. Medical definition—*blindness*: [/blind·ness/ (blind'nes)]<sup>18</sup>

**C**indy's eye doctor, Dr. Stacy Davis, says,

**"T**otal blindness is the complete lack of form and visual light perception. It is clinically recorded as NLP, an abbreviation for 'no light perception.' Those who cannot perceive light have no sight."

3. Biblical definition—*blindness*: [/blind·ness/ (blīnd'nes)]<sup>19</sup>
  - a. destitute of sight (physically or spiritually).

**B**lindness is both a physical and spiritual condition. Blindness is also a spiritual metaphor, used to represent the spiritual inability to see God's Truth.

**R**evelation 3:17

**W**hat was the church of Laodicea unable to see?

**C**indy's blind spot

**C**hrist's remedy: John 1:4–5

**A** case of physical and spiritual blindness: John 9:35–41

**Man** blind from birth

**Pharisees**

**Disciples:** Mark 8:14–21

- **D**on't you remember who I am?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- **D**on't you remember what I can do?

**What** to do if there are blind spots in your life . . .

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **Recognize** \_\_\_\_\_ your need.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ **Request** \_\_\_\_\_ His remedy

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Receive** \_\_\_\_\_ His promises by faith!



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*"Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who  
takes refuge in him." —Psalm 34:8*  
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### Video 8: The Red Hot Faith Backpack

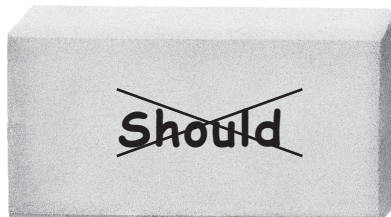
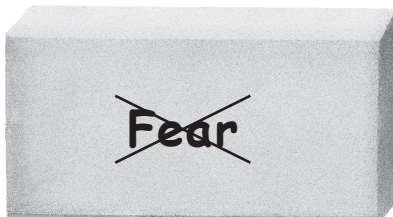
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#### Observations

**The** Red Hot Faith Backpack

**What** to leave out:

2 Timothy  
1:7



Galatians  
1:10

1. Number One: A \_\_\_\_\_ **key** \_\_\_\_\_—to remind us to open the door.

*Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. —Revelation 3:20*

**The** key to our Red Hot Faith life is a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus.

2. Number Two: verse cards—to remind us to renew our minds with God’s Word.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Number Three: A map—to remind us of the importance of our trade routes.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Number Four: a hot or cold beverage—to remind us to be of some use.  
  
**Be** hot. Be cold. Be something. Be of some use.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Number Five: Gold—to remind us that sometimes it’s in the fire that our faith becomes red hot !  
1 Peter 1:6–7



6. Number Six: A white garment—to remind us of the pure, white robe of righteousness that is ours in Christ. 1 John 1:9

**No** more living covered for us! We can live free!

7. Number Seven: A daisy—to remind us that He loves us.

*Those whom I [dearly and tenderly] love . . . —Revelation 3:19 AMP*

**R**omans 8:38–39 MSG—“I’m absolutely convinced that nothing—nothing living or dead, angelic or demonic, today or tomorrow, high or low, thinkable or unthinkable—absolutely *nothing* can get between us and God’s love because of the way that Jesus our Master has embraced us.”



**memorize it!**

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*“We live by faith, not by sight.” —2 Corinthians 5:7*  
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