EVENING WORSHIP 18 April 2010

Text: Revelation 2:18-29

Title: "HE WHO OVERCOMES AND KEEPS MY WORKS UNTIL THE END"

(I) THE POSSIBILITY OF FAILURE AS A CHURCH

- 1. This is a very grave possibility!
- 2. Five churches out of seven were in grave danger of failing miserably

(II) THE CHURCH OF THYATIRA

- 1. Assessor of the Church
 - a) The Son of God (Revelation 2:18b)
 - b) Clarity

"With eyes like a flame of fire" Revelation 2:18c

c) Firmness

"Feet like fine brass" Revelation 2:18d

2. Assessment of the Church

- a) Positive
 - i) Works (Revelation 2:19a)
 - ii) Love (Revelation 2:19b)
 - iii) Service (Revelation 2:19c)
 - iv) Faith (Revelation 2:19d)
 - v) Perseverance (patience) (Revelation 2:19e)
- b) Negative
 - i) Tolerance of false prophetess (**Revelation 2:20b**)
 - ii) Deadly influence of Jezebel went unchecked (Revelation 2:20-22)
 - iii) Devastating results on the church (Revelation 2:20-22)
 - iv) Depths of Satan (Revelation 2:24c)

3. Admonition

- a) Hold fast (Revelation 2:25a)
- b) Overcome (Revelation 2:26a)
- c) Keep the works of Christ to the end (Revelation 2:26)

(III) DETERMINING TO FIND VICTORY IN THE LORD

- 1. Read the Scriptures diligently
- 2. Recognise the possibility of failing
- 3. Respond to the leading of the Spirit of God
- 4. Realise the potential to be an Overcomer