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Pergamum

Jesus said,

12 “Write this to the messenger of God’s people in Pergamum: The one who has the sword which is sharp on both edges says: 13 ‘I know where you live (It is Satan’s throne.), but you are holding onto my name. You did not leave my faith, even during the time of Antipas, my faithful witness. He was taken from you and killed. Satan lives where you are. 14 But I have a few things against you: You have some people there who are holding onto Balaam’s teaching. Balaam was teaching Balak to put a temptation in front of the sons of Israel to cause them to sin, to eat food offered to false gods, and to cause them to commit sexual sin. 15 In the same way, you have some people there who are also holding onto the teaching of the Nicolaitans. 16 So, change your hearts! If you don’t, then I will come to you soon. I will make war against them with the sword which comes from my mouth. 17 The person who has an ear should listen to what the Spirit is saying to the groups of believers. I will give some of the hidden manna to the person who conquers. I will also give him a little white stone. A new name will have been written on the stone. The only person who knows that name is the one who gets it.’ ”