

SMALL GROUP GUIDE – REVELATION 2

September 28th, 2025

THE BIG IDEA

When Jesus speaks to the churches, He's not just talking to them—He's talking to us. His words bring encouragement, warning, and promise. In Revelation 2 we learn to return to our first love, to stay faithful through suffering, and to stop compromising with culture. Jesus doesn't just see what we do—He cares about who we love, how we endure, and whether we stand firm in a world that pressures us to compromise.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. After listening to the message, what stood out to you?
2. What's something you used to love doing as a kid that you've "lost" over the years?
3. Share about a time you had to stand firm when everyone else seemed to go along.
4. Read Revelation 2:1–7 (Ephesus)
 - a. Jesus praised the Ephesians for their hard work and perseverance. Where do you see this kind of faithfulness in our church today?
 - b. What does it mean to "forsake your first love"? How can we return to it?
5. Read Revelation 2:8–11 (Smyrna)
 - a. Jesus told Smyrna to stay faithful in suffering. What does suffering for Christ look like today?
 - b. How can our group help each other stay anchored when life gets difficult?
6. Read Revelation 2:12–17 (Pergamum)
 - a. What are some ways culture pressures us to compromise our faith? Which of these temptations do you personally feel most?
 - b. Jesus promises "hidden manna" and a "new name." How do these promises encourage you to stand firm?
7. Closing Prayer
 - a. "Lord Jesus, thank You for speaking truth to Your church. Help us return to our first love, remain faithful through trials, and stand firm against compromise. Give us courage to follow You with joy, and may our lives reflect Your love and holiness. Amen."