

Overcomers
Week 1 - Check Your Heart
Sunday, March 3, 2019
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Hard Times...

SERIES BIG IDEA: Our view of the _____ enables us to reframe and overcome the _____.

Context on Revelation 2-3:

WEEK 1 BIG IDEA: Jesus isn't just concerned with what we _____ and _____; He cares about the _____ behind it.

Passage: Revelation 2:1-7

3 Observations from the Message to the Church at Ephesus:

1. Jesus honors _____ and _____ honors Jesus. (Rev. 2:1-3, Acts 20:29-30, 1 Tim. 1:3)
2. Jesus cares about our _____ the most. (Rev. 2:4, 1 Cor. 13:1-3)
3. Jesus promises us _____ on the other side of hard times. (Rev. 2:7)

Next Steps:

1. In the words of John Crist, " _____ ."
(Prov. 4:23)
2. Identify the places where you lost _____ .
3. _____ , _____ , and _____ to the practices which renew your love. (Rev. 2:5, Ps. 51:10-12)

Discussion Questions:

- Would you say you are heading into, in the middle of, or coming out of a crisis? How has that crisis impacted your faith and your relationship with Jesus?
- What has your relationship been with the book of Revelation? Love it? Avoid it? Afraid of it? Based upon your previous study and Pastor Scott's message, what do you think the purpose of the book of Revelation is in our lives?
- In what area(s) of your life do you currently find it difficult to remain faithful?
- In what area(s) of your life have you lost your first love? What caused you to lose this love?
- When it comes to your actions as a follower of Jesus, if you were truly honest, what do you feel is your primary motivation?
- Read Revelation 2:7. When it comes to heaven and eternal life with God, what about that is attractive to you?
- Read Psalm 51:10-12. In this passage, King David shares his repentance and prayer for God to restore to him the "joy of his salvation." If you were to pray your own prayer for restoration, what would you pray that God would restore to you or in you?

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