

Revelation 1 & 2 Homework

Before we dig into our study questions for Revelation chapter two, we are going to spend a little time looking back at Chapter one and reviewing some of the things we covered in our first study.

1. Who is the one responsible for writing down and compiling all that we find in the book of Revelation?

2. What other books did He author? _____

3. Read through verses 4-8 and list some of the descriptions we see of Jesus:

4. Look at verses 9 & 10 and list the following:

Where was he? _____

Why was he there? _____

What day was it? _____

What was he in on that day? _____

The above are important facts to hold onto and will tie into the rest of Revelation. If John was on this Island due to his faithfulness to Christ and was found here in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, what does that tell us about John and what kind of follower he was?

5. We see in verse 12 the “seven golden lamp stands” and in verse 16 the “seven stars” what does verse 20 tell us that these are?

6. Look-up Hebrews 4:12 what does this scripture lead us to believe the sword that John sees coming out of the mouth of Jesus is in Revelation 1:16?

7. How many churches are addressed in Chapter 2 _____

8. Pick two of the churches in chapter 2 and list a few cultural and historical facts pertaining to the location these churches were in. Commentaries and on-line searches can help find some of this information:

Church in _____

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9. Why do you think its important at times to look at the cultural and historical context of scripture

10. Why did Jesus have the right to address and confront theses churches?

11. Just as with the church, Jesus has the right to address things in our lives as individual followers of Him. List some ways He accomplishes this with us and include at least two scripture references that show how He does this:

12. In Revelation 2:9 Jesus says to the church in Smyrna, *“I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich) What a powerful reminder that no matter what we might be facing or what we might lacking in physical possession, that we are truly rich in Christ. List some of the things you have in Christ and through Christ that make you rich:*

13. Jesus said to the church in Thyatira in verse 25, *“Only hold fast what you have until I come.”* The things we have are the things that made the church in Smyrna rich. With the enemy trying get us to let go and a world that is pulling on us from every direction, what are some ways we can “hold fast” to what we have?

The good, The bad and the ugly.. Reading through chapter two we see that Jesus affirms the good that was taking place within these churches, He also confronts the bad and we can see what will happen if they make the needed corrections. However, we know even in our own lives that things can get really ugly really quick if we continue in the bad.

14. List the good Jesus mentions to the church of Ephesus in verses 2, 3 & 6:

15. What is the outcome for the church of Smyrna if they continued to remain faithful?

16. What was the outcome for the church in Pergamos if they did not repent?

17. How have you personally been challenged in reading what Jesus had to say to these four churches in Revelation chapter two?

We are so glad that you took the time to dig deeper into God's word. The time invested will produce fruit in your life! Take a few minutes and pray over some of the things God used in the first two chapters of Revelation to speak to you. Let's ask Him to do a fresh work in our hearts and within His church.

