

# THE BOOK OF REVELATION

## The Seven letters to the Seven Churches: Combined

### Things every church should embrace:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ work and \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ identifying and avoiding false teachers and their teachings
- c. Enduring \_\_\_\_\_ for the name of Jesus
- d. Strong commitment to the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus, especially when we suffer, even more so when we see others suffering, or even dying.
- e. Love and Faith \_\_\_\_\_ over time.
- f. \_\_\_\_\_ giving up, regardless of size, resource, obstacle, or opposition.
- g. Using whatever resource or opportunity God gives, for \_\_\_\_\_ glory and His kingdom.

### Promises that Jesus makes to the churches who are faithful:

- a. A relationship with Jesus as savior \_\_\_\_\_, 100% guaranteed security in our salvation, and active friendship with Christ in \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. **Opportunities** to serve God while on this Earth, that cannot be taken away by \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ from having to go through the tribulation, or God's judgement of sin.
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus victory, recognition, and celebration still to come.
- e. Eternal Life, Heavenly treasure, Authority and position \_\_\_\_\_ God's Kingdom.

### Things we must avoid, and the consequences if we don't:

- a. Forgetting \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ we serve, because if we do, we may very well lose the very privilege of **being a church**.
- b. Embracing the teaching of false teachers, because this will cause Jesus to act as our \_\_\_\_\_ (fight), or make an \_\_\_\_\_ of us (physical suffering).

- c. **Compromise** in our behavior, including **not practicing evangelism**, because those we love will not be **spiritually ready** when Christ does return, like a thief, as promised.
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_ before the idols of comfort and self-sufficiency, or Jesus will **quit using us** altogether in ministry of any kind. (Spit you out / reject your service).
- \*\*\* Notice that the end result of each case is \_\_\_\_\_ the loss of salvation, but the end of \_\_\_\_\_ church.

### Lessons to learn:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ and Motive matter when it comes to our deeds of service.
- b. Biblical \_\_\_\_\_ is vital to spiritual integrity and spotting false doctrines.
- c. When we think “I’ve got this, I don’t need God to help”, we are in a **dangerous place**.
- d. Our strength and hope, which allow us to be faithful and endure hardship, come from our \_\_\_\_\_ of Heaven, Reward, Eternity, and an unhindered relationship with Jesus.
- e. No one time did God promise us an easy life. Comfort and financial freedom can however put us in a position to be \_\_\_\_\_ by Satan.
- f. Our job is to **represent**, and \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus as Savior to the unsaved world.

### Applications to live as a church:

1. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves over and over again who we serve, and why.
  - a. Communion and Baptism
  - b. Singing, Corporate prayer, and Sermons in our weekly worship service
  - c. Personal and intentional discipleship
2. We must make God’s Word our \_\_\_\_\_ authority, and guide in our lives.
3. We must \_\_\_\_\_ allow finances, personnel, or good press to tempt us to think more highly of ourselves than the simple servants of God that we are.
4. We must realize that when we serve God, we will be \_\_\_\_\_. We must also be willing to allow God to do with this opposition whatever he so chooses.
5. We must never \_\_\_\_\_ that our job it to love God, each other, and our neighbors faithfully, as we maintain readiness to share the hope that we have within us.