



Week One: Jump Start the Car

Week Two: Examine the Engine

### The last time I needed a Jump Start:

1. My engine was in great shape.
2. My battery was in great shape.
3. My lights were left on and all the stored energy was drained. No \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ very little in the mechanical sense, but **fixed** the problem.
5. What I gave my battery was a boost, or a little help getting back on track.

### Why are we talking about the church needing a Jump Start?

1. We don't need anything \_\_\_\_\_ to be successful as a church.
  - a. We have the Holy Spirit, spiritual gifts, scripture, provision, etc.
  - b. We are **not broken**, we **do not need replaced**, we are not \_\_\_\_\_.
2. We are a church full of \_\_\_\_\_, living in a \_\_\_\_\_ world, being pressured from **dozens of ungodly forces** both within & outside Christendom.
3. We'd be foolish to think that refocus, recommitment, rejuvenation, renewal, and reinvestment are \_\_\_\_\_ things to desire.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ of the unknown, \_\_\_\_\_ attacks and pressures, and forces of evil are at work to **discourage us** from serving God at full potential.

### Romans 12:2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

### Colossians 2:8

See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

## Revelation 2 – 3 Warnings and Encouragements for all churches of all time:

### Encouragements:

- 2:2-3            **Keep** doing good work in my name, **don't give up** or grow weary.  
**Be faithful** to the Word and **continue to battle** false teachers who are not faithful to it.  
**Don't grow weary** of hardship when you endure it because of me.
- 2:9-11            Whatever Satan throws at you, it is **short lived** in comparison to eternity.  
Spiritual riches and future reward are **worth** any persecution you suffer.
- 2:12-13            Remain faithful and true to my name, **even if** Satan himself seems to be in charge and anti-God forces seem to be winning the battle.
- 2:19-20            Create **more** love, faithfulness, service, and perseverance **as you grow** more mature.
- 2:24-25            Don't give up, **keep working and serving** until Jesus come back again.
- 3:8                Even when you are weak, hold fast to God's Word, and **openly identify** as a Child of God.
- 3:9                **Hold on** to what you have. (promises, ministries, hope, salvation, gospel, etc)

### Warnings:

- 2:4                Do not forsake your first love. **Live** like someone whose been saved.
- 2:14                Do not listen to, follow, or act on false teachings. They lead **you** to sin.
- 2:20                Do not listen to, or follow false prophets or teachers.
- 3:1                Don't be **fakers and hypocrites** with your faith and religion.
- 3:15-16            Don't be **wishy washy, confusing, irritable, or annoying** Christians.

### Summary and Conclusions:

1. Studying God's Word is \_\_\_\_\_ important now than it's ever been before.
2. Never forget where you were saved \_\_\_\_\_, your position in Christ, and where you are headed.
3. Don't give up, even when it hard, painful, and confusing. The reward is \_\_\_\_\_ than the pain and hardship.
4. The participation trophy is the \_\_\_\_\_ trophy in heaven. But you have to **earn** it.