

- Lesson Takeaways:

- Being strong in holiness in terms of confession of sin and being steadfast in doctrine is not our only call as a lampstand of Christ.
- 1. _____ from where you have fallen.
- 2. _____
- 3. _____ to the deeds of love you did at first.
- Be prepared that the crushing of the saints produces tribulation, but that at the completed time we WILL receive the crown of life. Be faithful to the end!

Answers: Prosperity, Begins, compliment, criticism, correction, leaders, name, existence, mission, evidence, perseverance, crushing, comfort, rich, separation, remember, repent, return

Eastpointe Bible Church – Adult Sunday School

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Text: Revelation 2: 1 – 11

- The church at Ephesus:
 - The postal route of _____.
 - Pattern of Ephesus and each of the letters of Christ in Asia Minor
 - _____ with a characteristic or “signature” of Christ
 - _____ or two from Christ
 - In all but two, a _____ or rebuke from Christ
 - Lastly, there is a _____ or challenge from Christ
 - Ephesus was marked as a church who’s _____ had faithfully lead them into persisting in Truth.
 - The compliment from the Lord Jesus is that they were driven by the right motive, the _____ and reputation of Him.

- V.4 But I have this against you, that you have left your first love.

- V. 5b But if not, I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place, unless you repent.

- Our prize for our obedience in love for God and love for others is the very _____ of our church and the _____ of the Gospel.

- "Overcome" Greek: Nikao
 - _____ of our security and justification in Christ is in our God given determination to overcome.
 - John Calvin: The _____ of the saints.

⁴ For everything that has been born of God overcomes the world; and this is the overcoming that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵ Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

1 John 5: 4-5

"If there is one doctrine I have preached more than another, it is the doctrine of the perseverance of the saints, even to the end." – Charles Spurgeon

- The church at Smyrna:
 - Smallest but most intense letter
 - "Myrrh" – Extracted from the _____ of the fruit of a small thorn bush.
 - "I know" would have been a _____ to those living in poverty who are about to die for their faithfulness.
 - Tribulation and your poverty (but you are _____)
 - Poverty was a result of faithfulness to Christ from the religious on one side and the world on the other.
 - Tribulation for 10 days:
 - Second death – eternal _____ from God in the lake of fire.

"If you are only born once, you will die twice. But if you are born twice, you will only die once."