

# **Book of Revelation**

- **Sermon Series on Chapters 1-3**
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- **Sermon #3 from Revelation 2:8-11**

# **Revelation Review**

## **What is the Apostate Church?**

**This name comes from the word apostasy, which means an act of refusing to continue to follow, and obey.**

## **2 Thessalonians 2:2-3**

**2 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for *that Day will not come* unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition**

# **Apostate Church & Others**

- **Can they be saved in the 7 year Tribulation Period following the Rapture?**
- **Do not take the Mark of the Beast!**

# Revelation 7:13

**13 Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, “Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?” 14 And I said to him, “Sir, you know.” So he said to me, “These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

# **What does Jesus expect from the Church?**

- **First & foremost love Him \*\*\***
- **Zealous in service to Him**
- **Hard Working for Him**
- **Patient for His name sake**
- **Stand against evil**
- **Challenge false teachings**
- **Do not become weary of the Kingdom  
work**

## Revelation 2:8-9

**“And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write, ‘These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life: 9 ‘I know your works, tribulation, and poverty (but you are rich); and *I know* the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews and are not, but *are* a synagogue of Satan.**

## **Revelation 2:10-11**

**10 Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw *some* of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. 11 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.” ’**





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- **Law was written that everyone must worship Caesar .**
- **Satan used the local synagogue to bring persecution. {Snitches}**

**Daniel 6:10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days.**

**\*Daniel just close the windows and curtains for the next 30 days.**

**\* It was Daniel's custom of worship**

**\* This was more important to Daniel than his own well being.**

**\*How many other lives were saved because Daniel refused to not worship as was his custom?**

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- **Church age 125AD to 300AD**
- **Polycarp: Pastor - Bishop - Martyr**
- **Church was pure and rich in faith**
- **Someday it will be again**

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- **Endure the persecution like those found in Scripture and history!**
- **If you do then a crown you will receive!**

# **Are you ready?**

- **Born Again**
- **One of the Called out Ones {the Church}**
- **An Overcomer of persecution**
- **Faithful and can't wait to see Jesus**

**John 8: 42 Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. 43 Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. 44 You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do.... 45 But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me.**

# **Whose desires are we doing?**

- **Let us recite / pray the Lord's Prayer together using trespass and trespassers today.**
- **Matthew 6:9-15**