

A message to God's People
Revelation 2-3

Big Idea: Jesus is calling us to continual transformation.

A message for "the Church" in every generation:

1. Embrace a counter-cultural life
2. Expect Jesus to encourage and correct along the way
3. The reward is at the end

Next Steps:

1. "Live It Out"
2. Ask Jesus, "What area in my life would you like to encourage?"
3. Ask Jesus, "Where do I need correction?"

Chiastic structure of Jesus' message to the churches:

- A. Ephesus - Lost love
- B. Smyrna - Facing adversity
 - C1. Pergamum - Embraced false teaching/cultural assimilation
 - C2. Thyatira - Sexual immorality/unrepentance
 - C3. Sardis - Unaware of their slumber/dead
- B'. Philadelphia - Facing persecution/rejection
- A'. Laodicea - Apathy/affluence/self-reliance

Revelation Glossary:

Chiasm - a literary device in which a sequence of ideas is presented and then repeated in reverse order.
 "two-edged sword" - judgment; Jesus will speak words of perfect judgment
 "Eyes like a flame of fire" - Jesus sees everything, nothing is hidden from him (Dan. 10:6)
 "Feet are like burnished bronze" - points to Jesus' absolute purity (Dan. 10:6)
 "He who has ears to hear, let him hear" - to the ones who hear, let them do what Jesus says

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Limited Space available, if interested email Vanessa.Bunch@2rc.tv for details.

Fall Camp | Students grades 6-12 | Oct. 28-30 | [2RC.tv/FallCamp](https://2rc.tv/FallCamp)
Middle school and high school students, register for our annual fall camp!

Revelation Journals | \$3.00 | Get Connected Desk
Grab a Revelation journal to follow along with the teachings in this series.

Life & Safety Team | Volunteers Needed | Email Brian.McKinley@2RC.tv
If you have a medical background, volunteer with our life and safety team.

Legacy Grandparent Summit | Simulcast | Oct. 20 & 21 | Harrison Ln
REGISTER NOW! Grandparents are invited to join us for a simulcast.

HARRISON LANE

The Anchor | Oct. 2 | 9:45A | Conference Room | Register at [2RC.tv/Anchor](https://2rc.tv/Anchor)
A 45-minute class to help parents help their kids begin their spiritual journey.

Amped Potluck | Oct. 2 | 12:30P | Student Center Lobby
Bring a dish to share, and hang out with us after church on October 2nd.

ROANE COUNTY

Wifflefall BBQ | Oct. 2 | 1:00P | 299 Sherman Circle, Kingston TN 37763
Join us as we celebrate the 5-year anniversary of our Roane County campus!

PRAYER REQUESTS



I PRAYED TO RECEIVE CHRIST TODAY!

I'M INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED!

LIVE IT OUT TOGETHER | STUDY • DISCUSS • APPLY

Monday | Read Revelation 2: 1-7

What encouragement and what correction did Jesus give the church in **Ephesus**? How could those words apply to you? Ask God to help you serve out of love rather than duty. Pray these verses for Two Rivers Church.

Tuesday | Read Revelation 2:8-11

How is the Lord's description of himself to the church in **Smyrna** an encouragement to those under persecution? How does it encourage you in your hardships? Use these verses to pray for the global church that is facing great opposition.

Wednesday | Read Revelation 2:12-17

What qualities, positive or negative, spoken about **Pergamum** also describe you? What false teaching can be a danger for us today? Pray these verses for a church near you.

Thursday | Read Revelation 2:18-29.

Jesus encourages and corrects those he loves. Which words spoken to **Thyatira** might Jesus also be speaking to you? In what areas of your life have you seen the Lord transform you as you apply His Word? Pray these verses for your close family and friends.

Friday | Read Revelation 3:1-6

What was the warning to **Sardis**? To what areas of your life might this warning apply, and how will you ask God to help you? Use these verses to pray for Two Rivers Church.

Saturday | Read Revelation 3:7-13

What specific qualities in the church at **Philadelphia** did Jesus honor? What rewards were promised to those who overcame and which do you find most motivating? Pray these verses for a church near you.

Sunday | Read Revelation 3:14-22

Upon what did the church at **Laodicea** rest its hope instead of Jesus? How can you keep your faith from being apathetic? Ask Jesus for ears to hear both encouragement and correction. Pray these verses for churches in our 9 county area.



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