



Seven Letters Week 2

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// Bible References: Revelation 2:8-11, Revelation 2:8, Revelation 2:9, Revelation 2:10, Revelation 2:11
Revelation 21:1-5

// Community Question: What's the longest you've ever had to wait for something you were excited about?
Was it worth the wait?

// Discussion Questions

1. Ben described how the Christians in Smyrna faced serious consequences — lost businesses, friendships, and even their lives — simply because they refused to worship anyone other than Jesus. What do you think it would feel like to live in a place where your faith put everything you had at risk?
2. There is a distinction between 'having faith' and 'being faithful,' saying that having faith is free but being faithful always costs something. What do you think the difference is between those two things, and why does that distinction matter?
3. Ben said, 'We can only endure the middle of our stories when we know the end.' He pointed to Revelation 21:1-5 as a picture of that ending — where God wipes every tear away and makes everything new. How does knowing how the story ends actually help someone get through the hard middle parts of life?
4. Horatio Spafford wrote 'It Is Well' after losing his son, his finances in the Great Chicago Fire, and then all four of his daughters in a shipwreck. Ben used his story to illustrate how someone can choose trust and worship even in the deepest grief. What do you think makes it possible for a person to say 'it is well' when their life feels anything but well?

// Challenge: Identify one area where you've been asking Jesus to change your circumstances. This week, ask Him instead to strengthen your faithfulness in the middle of those circumstances.