



Series: Revelation—a book of hope

The Honor of the Church

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ENGAGE

(A key part of healthy group life is to make sure your group gets to know each other and builds good relationships. The purpose of these first questions is to help your group open up. Please don't feel like you have to ask each question. Once you feel like the group is ready, move onto the "Inspire" section.)

- What artist or band had a reputation far greater than their performance?

Prayer: Take some time to pray for God to speak to your group through this week's study.

INSPIRE

(Each question has a lot to unpack. Since the group may need time to process each question, don't let silence scare you. Try to avoid filling the space with unnecessary explanation or moving on from the question too quickly.)

1. Read Revelation 2:12-17. What was Jesus'... Approval? Accusation? Admonition?
2. Which do you think is worse, persecution by enemies or seduction by the culture? Why?
3. Pergamum compromised their morals and doctrine. How could that happen in the church today? What cultural influences distract us from Christ?
4. Read Revelation 3:1-6. What was Jesus'... Approval? Accusation? Admonition?
5. What are some of the differences between a Christians who rely on image and reputation and ones who have genuine faith?
6. What is the only hope of survival for the Sardis church?

EQUIP

Application:

(These questions will challenge your group members to apply the study to their daily lives. How can they live out what they take in? It is highly important that you go over this section with your group each week for the group study to be a success.)

If Jesus gave you a "wake up" call, what would he want you to strengthen? What would He want you to bury?

Do you need a fire alarm or a quiet chime to wake you?

Equip Your Mind:

Revelation 3:1b-2 (ESV): "I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. 2 Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God."