

REVELATION 2:1-7

BACK TO THE BEGINNING!

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REVELATION

what was, what is, what is to come

Revelation 2:1-7

“To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: ‘The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

~ Revelations 2:1-7

“I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles

~ Revelations 2:1-7

and are not, and found them to be false. I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you,

~ Revelations 2:1-7

that you have abandoned the love
you had at first. Remember
therefore from where you have
fallen; repent, and do the works
you did at first. If not, I will come
to you and remove your

~ Revelations 2:1-7

lampstand from its place, unless you repent. Yet this you have: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the

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churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.””

~ Revelations 2:1-7

I. The City of Ephesus

II. Jesus Knows!

III. Jesus Commends,
Rebukes, Offers A
Remedy, Warns And A
Promise.

A. There was much to commend in the believers in Ephesus.

“In him we have
redemption through his
blood...”

~ Ephesians 1:7

“But now in Christ Jesus you
who once were far off have
been brought near by the
blood of Christ.”

~ Ephesians 2:13

B. Jesus rebukes them
because they lost what
matters most!

”...I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may

~ Ephesians 3:14-19

grant you to be strengthened
with power through his Spirit in
your inner being, so that Christ
may dwell in your hearts
through faith – that

~ Ephesians 3:14-19

*you, being rooted and
grounded in love,* may have
strength to comprehend with all
the saints what is the breadth
and length and

~ Ephesians 3:14-19

height and depth, and ***to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge***, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.”

~ Ephesians 3:14-19

“But I have this against you,
*that you have abandoned
the love you had at first.*”

~ Revelation 2:4

Love



Indifference

Apathy

Tolerate

Malice

Anger

Hate

C. The Remedy

“Remember therefore from
where you have fallen;
repent and do the works you
did at first.”

~ Revelation 2:5

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1. Remember your love for Jesus

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1. Remember your love for Jesus
2. Remember the love you had at first for others in Christ.

3. Repent and do the works you did at first.

D. The Warning

“If not, I will come to you
and remove your lampstand
from its place, unless you
repent.”

~ Revelation 2:5b

E. The Promise

“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.”

~ Revelation 2:7

IV. Are We Like The Church In Ephesus?

“Praise the LORD! Sing to the
LORD a new song, his praise in the
assembly of the godly! Let Israel
be glad in his Maker; let the
children of Zion rejoice in their
King!

~ Psalm 149

Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre...let the high praises of God be in their throats..."

~ Psalm 149

