

DAY 1 – REVELATION 2:1-3

1. What did you find new and/or interesting from the lecture?
2. Given the meaning of the seven stars and lampstands (Rev 1:20), what picture do you see when you read verse 1?
3.
 - a. For what was the church in Ephesus praised in verse 2?
 - b. What does it mean to you that Jesus knows your works and your struggles?
4. Give an example of
 - Works
 - Labor
 - Endurance
5.
 - a. How did Jesus commend the Ephesians concerning their discovery of false apostles/teachers?
 - b. Should we be concerned about this today? Why or why not? (See 2 Cor 11:4, 13-15; Col 2:4-8)
 - c. How can one recognize an impostor? (See 2 Cor 11:4; 1 Jn 4:1)
6.
 - a. What further affirmation did Jesus give the Ephesians in Revelation 2:3?
 - b. How do the following verses encourage those who are weary?
 - Isaiah 40:30-31 _____
 - Hebrews 12:1-3 _____
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 - _____
 - Hebrews 12:12-13 _____

DAYS 2 & 3 – REVELATION 2:4-7

7.
 - a. What did Jesus have against the church in Ephesus?
 - b. Describe the love/zeal you had when you first discovered the Lord. **(Personal)**
 - c. Do you still experience this same love/zeal? If not, how far have you fallen? **(Thought)**
8.
 - a. What command did Jesus give the Ephesians?
 - b. What does it mean to repent? (See CCC 1431)
9.
 - a. What works did you do when you first discovered the Lord? **(Personal)**
 - b. How might a person rekindle the initial passion he/she felt for the Lord?
10. According to verse 5, what were the consequences of non-repentance?

11. What does Jesus teach you about hatred in verse 6?
12.
 - a. Jesus says “Whoever has ears ought to hear”. To whom do we need to be listening?
 - b. How can you improve your “listening skills”?
13.
 - a. What do you think is meant by “the victor” in this passage?
 - b. What is the reward for the victor?
14.
 - a. When and why was man forbidden to eat from the tree of life? (See Gn 3:22-24)
 - b. How does salvation history come full circle in today’s passage?

DAYS 4 & 5 – REVELATION 2:8-11

15. How is Christ described in verse 8?
16.
 - a. What did Jesus reveal about the church in Smyrna?
 - b. How could they be in poverty and still be rich? (See 1 Cor 1:27-28; Jas 2:5)
17.
 - a. What does the phrase “those who claim to be Jews but are not” mean? (See Rom 9:6-8)
 - b. Why is it important for our behavior to conform to the Christian faith we profess?
 - c. What did Jesus call the Jewish impostors?
18.
 - a. Who will throw some of the faithful into prison?
 - b. What does this tell you about the influence this being has in the world?
 - c. Is God powerful enough to stop him? If so, why doesn’t He? (See CCC 395)
19.
 - a. What does Jesus call us to do until death?
 - b. According to verse 10, what is the reward for obedience?
 - c. What do the following verses teach you about this reward?
 - 1 Corinthians 9:25-27
 - James 1:12
 - 1 Peter 5:4
20.
 - a. According to verse 11, what is the reward for the victor?
 - b. To what do you think the “second death” refers? (See Rev 20:14, 21:8)
21. All Christians are called to be detached from this earthly life as the church of Smyrna seemed to be. In what ways are you trying to reach this ideal? **(Personal)**