

DAYS 1 & 2 – REVELATION 2:12-17

1. What did you find new and/or interesting from the lecture?
2. Jesus describes Pergamum as Satan's throne. What do you think would earn a city this title?
3.
 - a. For what did Jesus commend the church in Pergamum?
 - b. What will happen to those who deny Jesus? (See Lk 9:26, 12:9; 2 Tm 2:12)
4.
 - a. Antipas was martyred for the faith. What is martyrdom? (See CCC 2473)
 - b. Who was the first Christian martyr and what do you learn about a martyr's heart from Acts 7:55-60?
 - c. How might a martyr's death strengthen the faith of others?
5.
 - a. Balaam encouraged intermarriage with pagans and the compromise of the pure faith by joining in the worship of idols. How does our culture today seduce Christians to compromise their faith?
 - b. What was the Lord's reaction to this type of compromise?
6.
 - a. Is idolatry still practiced today? Explain. (See CCC 2113)
 - b. Does your life reflect a reverence for something/someone above God? **(Thought)**
7. Balak put a stumbling block before the Israelites. How can one's actions become a stumbling block for others? (See Rom 14:13; 1 Cor 8:8-13)
8. In contrast to eating food sacrificed to idols as Balak instructed, Jesus promised hidden manna to the faithful. What is this hidden manna and how do we share in it today? (See Jn 6:31-33)
9. What is the significance of the amulet with the new name? (See Is 62:2, 65:15; CCC 1025, 2159)

DAYS 3 & 4 – REVELATION 2:18-29

10. What virtues are applauded in the letter to Thyatira?
11.
 - a. Compare Revelation 2:4 with Revelation 2:19. What is the difference between the works of the two churches?
 - b. Which one describes you best and why? **(Personal)**
12.
 - a. What did Jesus hold against the church in Thyatira?

- b. How is the idea of tolerance abused today?
- 13. a. How is God's mercy evident from today's passage?
- b. How is God's justice evident from today's passage?
- 14. a. What is the danger of postponing repentance and conversion?
- b. Is there an area of your life that needs conversion? If so, why are you waiting? **(Personal)**
- 15. Why is it impossible to put up pretenses before God?
- 16. According to verse 23, how does the Lord measure what to give us? (See also Jer 17:10)
- 17. a. The deep secrets of Satan refer to an alleged secret spiritual knowledge. How do you see this concept being touted today?
- b. Have you been enticed by this "secret knowledge"? If so, how have today's verses given you a new perspective? **(Personal)**
- 18. a. What must the innocent do to be victorious?
- b. What will the victor receive?
- 19. What/who is the morning star? (See Rv 22:16)

DAY 5 – REVELATION 3:1-6

- 20. a. How can one have the reputation of being spiritually alive when in reality he/she is dead?
- b. What causes death to a soul? (See 1 Jn 5:16-17; CCC 1855)
- c. Why must one be vigilant in repenting even of venial sin? (See CCC 1862-1863)
- 21. List the five steps Jesus urged the church of Sardis to take.
- 22. a. What is the silver lining in Sardis?
- b. What do the soiled garments signify?
- 23. a. What is the reward for keeping the soul cleansed?
- b. What do clean white garments symbolize? (See Rv 19:8) And where does one witness this concept in the Sacraments today?
- 24. What is the "book of life"? (See Ps 69:29; Lk 10:20; Rv 20:15)