

Bible Study — Revelation 2:8-11

I. Introduction

- A. Recap from last time
- B. Background to the Church of Smyrna

II. Smyrna — The Persecuted Church (Revelation 2:8-11)

- A. The command to write (**Revelation 2:8**)
 - 1. Jesus — “The First and the Last”
 - 2. Jesus — “Who was dead, and came to life”
- B. “I know your works” (**Revelation 2:9**)
 - 1. Jesus knows **three things** about the church in Smyrna
 - a) Their tribulation
 - b) Their poverty
 - c) The blasphemy of their persecutors
 - 2. Their tribulation
 - 3. Their poverty
 - 4. The blasphemy of their persecutors
- C. “Do not fear **ANY** of those things” (**Revelation 2:10**)
 - 1. Encouragement through suffering
 - 2. The testing of their faith
 - 3. The Sovereign over tribulation
 - 4. “Crown of Life”
- D. “He who has ears, let him hear” (**Revelation 2:11**)
 - 1. A warning to “the churches”
 - 2. “The Second Death”

III. Conclusion

- A. Next Time (11/15/2020) — Pergamos, the compromising church
(**Revelation 2:12-17**)

B. Questions