

Week 3 : Church in Smyrna

In verse 8, what were the two characterizations of Jesus Christ?

Read 1 Corinthians 15 and consider how it relates to Revelation 2:8. What are the implications of Jesus' resurrection for the Christian life?

In verse 9, what does Jesus mean by stating that the church at Smyrna is truly "rich" in the midst of their "tribulation and poverty?"

Jesus gives the church at Smyrna two commands in verse 10. What were the two commands?

According to verse 10, what does Jesus promise the church at Smyrna for remaining faithful?

According to verse 11, what will be the reward for "the one who conquers?" What is the "second death?"

Describe what the "crown of life" is. Who is the "crown of life" for?

If John was commissioned to deliver you a letter, would you be commended for remaining faithful when times get difficult? Is remaining faithful difficult for you? If so, why?

Is suffering always a bad thing for the church? How can it ever be a blessing?

How does Jesus deliver victory over the second death?

