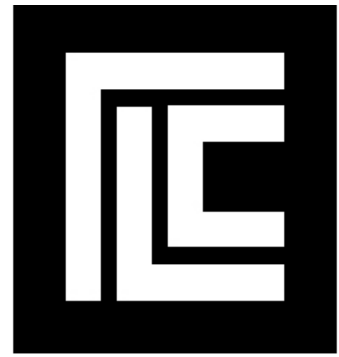


Lampstand: seven messages to the seven churches in Revelation

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Revelation 2:1-7



This morning we continued our new series, Lampstand: seven messages to the seven churches in Revelation. The messages begin with the church in the City of Ephesus. With a proper understanding of the context of these people in this place, some things bubble to the surface that speak to us today.

Getting Started

Sunday's message began with a question: have you ever worked towards something and it didn't go your way, and you found yourself wondering, "what are we supposed to do?" Did anything come to your mind during that time? Share with your group.

Read

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Digging Deeper

- From the text above, Jesus is given the title holder of the seven stars and the one who walks among the lamp stands. Jesus is incredibly powerful and intimately present. Was there any area in your life you needed to be reminded of that this week?
- Jesus challenges the church in Ephesus that they have abandoned their first love. It's most likely this is a reference to their loss of love for their neighbor. Their hearts had grown cold. Are there any people or an area in your life that you feel your heart has grown cold in? If so, share with your group.
- Jesus delivers a promise about the tree of life to a church in a city famous for possessing a tree that promised safety, salvation and life. We run to all kinds of "trees" that our culture offers. Did you sense God extending you an invitation at all to turn from any of those trees on Sunday?



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