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REVELATION 1:13

"And in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest."

REVELATION 2:12-17

"To the angel of the church in Pergamum write... I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is... Repent, then. Otherwise, I will come to you soon."

TEACHING POINTS

1 Your Daily Encounter With The Lord

REVELATION 1:13; LUKE 10:38-42

Jesus walks among the lampstands — He is present with His church every day, not just on Sunday. Pastor challenged the church to guard 15 minutes to an hour of daily prayer and time in the Word, testifying that his own breakthrough came when the Holy Spirit convicted him to put God first with his finances before anything else lined up.

2 The Church At Pergamum: Where Satan's Throne Is

REVELATION 2:12-13

Pergamum was a city crowded with temples — to Zeus and every major deity of the region — where compromise, not persecution, was the greater threat. Jesus commends the church for holding His name even while surrounded by idolatry, but warns that proximity to compromise is never neutral.

3 The Doctrine Of Balaam: The Danger Of Compromise

REVELATION 2:14; NUMBERS 22-25

Unable to curse Israel directly, Balaam taught Balak to lure God's people into compromise instead. God doesn't war against a church that is under attack from outside — He grieves over a church that has quietly agreed to compromise from within.

4 Modern-Day Idols

REVELATION 2:14; 1 JOHN 5:21

An idol is anything that takes the place that belongs only to God — and today's idols are simply better disguised than golden calves. Whatever earns first place in your time, affection, or trust ahead of the Lord has become an altar, whether or not it looks like one.

5 Holiness Requires Separation

REVELATION 2:14-15; JAMES 3:5-6

Pastor called the church to a visible difference between Sunday worship and the rest of the week — including naming gossip as a spiritual weapon dressed up as conversation. Holiness isn't a performance on the platform; it's a posture that holds up Monday through Saturday.

6 Repentance Is Daily, Not A One-Time Prayer

REVELATION 2:16-17

To the one who overcomes, Jesus promises hidden manna and a white stone with a new name — a seat of honor at the King's table. Repentance isn't the prayer you prayed once at salvation; it's the daily posture that keeps you walking in the fresh portion God has for you.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- Where have you let compromise quietly take root, believing it wouldn't cost you anything?
- What "idols" — disguised as harmless — are competing for the place that belongs only to God in your life?
- What does your daily encounter with the Lord actually look like this week? Is it consistent?
- Is your repentance a daily rhythm, or something you did once and haven't returned to?
- Is there unforgiveness you need to renounce so the Lord can keep healing your heart?

"Repent — for repentance is not a one-day thing. It's an everyday thing."

REVELATION 2:16