



Letters from Patmos
WE'VE GOT MAIL
The Church That's On The Front Line

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Revelation 2:12-17(NIV)

¹²“To the angel of the church in Pergamum write: These are the words of him who has the sharp, double-edged sword. ¹³I know where you live—where Satan has his throne. Yet you remain true to my name. You did not renounce your faith in me, not even in the days of Antipas, my faithful witness, who was put to death in your city—where Satan lives.

¹⁴Nevertheless, I have a few things against you: There are some among you who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin so that

they ate food sacrificed to idols and committed sexual immorality. ¹⁵Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. ¹⁶Repent therefore! Otherwise, I will soon come to you and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

¹⁷Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it.

Introduction

Revelation 2:12

Revelation 2:13

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Revelation 2:16-17

“here a pitched battle was being fought in which the soldiers were not men -- but ideas.” John Stott

1. The freedom of privatization.

2. The neutrality of secularization

3. The tolerance of pluralization.