

In This Together: Philadelphia

Endure Steadfastly

Revelation 3:7-13
Pastor Chris Lenhart – 8/4/24



Opening Thought Question:

When the church faces suffering and persecution, how does Jesus encourage and strengthen the resolve of his people?

Little Power, Big Faith (7-8)

Guarded by God (9-11)

*Personal reflections: Read Psalm 91, 116, & 121 "God, our Guardian"
Honored as Pillars (12-13)

*Further exploration: Read the Letter of 1 Peter

Opening Thought Response:

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- 3.

Next Week: Revelation 3:14-22 Laodicea: "Remain Useful"

Further Study

Ephesians
Rev. 1-3

Is. 22:20-23
1 Cor. 1:26-28

Ps. 91; 116; 121
Rev. 2:9
1 Thes. 4:13-18

1 Pet. 2:4-10
Eph. 2:19-22
Rom. 8:18

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<p style="text-align: center;">In This Together: Philadelphia</p> <h1 style="text-align: center;">Endure Steadfastly</h1> <p>Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide</p>	<p>Rev. 3:7-13</p>
<p>Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with Prayer -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> – Revelation 3:7-13</p> <p><u>Questions for Reflection & Discussion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why is it encouraging for the Church that Jesus knows, sees, and affirms our faithfulness and obedience? How does this truth help us to live with confident assurance in this age? 2. What might it look like in word and deed to live in a way that does not deny the name of Jesus? 3. In verse 9 Jesus acknowledges the adversity facing the church. Where is the opposition coming from? Then, how do verses 9-11 communicate Jesus’ intention to preserve, protect, and provide for his people, even in the face of trials? 4. Jesus says in verse 11, “Hold on to what you have so that no one can take away your crown.” What is it that we have been given? In this age, what does the Church, and individual believers who are a part of it, have that we should cling to? 5. What is the end result for those who endure faithfully? (vs. 12) How does this remind faithful followers of Jesus of our position, and our good, eternal future? <p><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God? 2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another? 3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life? 4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community? 	<p><u>Further Study</u></p> <p>Ephesians Rev. 1-3 Is. 22:20-23 1 Cor. 1:26-28 Ps. 91; 116; 121 Rev. 2:9 1 Thes. 4:13-18 1 Pet. 2:4-10 Eph. 2:19-22 Rom. 8:18</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>