

Connect Group

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This Too Shall Pass // Week 5

Scripture: Revelations 2:12-17

Welcome & Connection

What is one thing that your group should know about you in this season of life?

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1. The Sword of Truth. Read Revelation 2:12, 16 and Hebrews 4:12-13. Pergamum was a place associated with judgment, but Jesus describes Himself as the One with the “sharp two-edged sword.” Hebrews says God’s Word exposes our thoughts, desires, and motives. What does it look like to allow God’s Word to reveal what is true in us rather than letting our culture—or even ourselves—decide what is true?

2. Where Satan’s Throne Is. Jesus tells the church in Pergamum, “I know where you dwell, where Satan’s throne is” (Revelation 2:13). Pastor Marty connected the pagan worship and sacrifice associated with Pergamum to the horrific evil of Nazi Germany and Hitler’s “Final Solution”—a reminder that evil can become embedded in a culture and even presented as acceptable or necessary. The church in Pergamum lived in the middle of spiritual darkness. Where do you see the church today facing spiritual or demonic opposition, and how can we recognize it without becoming fearful of it?

3. Deception & Seduction. Two strategies of Satan are deception—getting us to believe a lie instead of the truth—and seduction—making sin look beautiful, attractive, or desirable. Which strategy do you think is harder to recognize? What are some examples of deception or seduction we face today, and how does knowing God’s truth help us resist them?

4. **The White Stone.** Read Revelation 2:17. At the end of the message, we received a white rock as a reminder that because of Jesus' sacrifice, we are forgiven and declared innocent—but also invited to live set apart and free. As you think about the white rock, what do you sense God may be inviting you to step into, leave behind, or live differently in this season?