## Smyrna: The Loyal Church

Revelation 2:8-11

1) Destination (2:8)

2) Commendation (2:9)

3) Refutation

4) Exhortation (2:10a)

5) Motivation (2:10b-11)

- 6) Weekday Application Questions
  - a) How would you summarize Jesus' message to the church in Smyrna?
  - b) What did spiritual compromise look like in Smyrna during this time? What does spiritual compromise look like during our time today?
  - c) What did loyalty to Jesus look like for the Christians in Smyrna? What does loyalty to Jesus look like in our culture?
  - d) How have you suffered for your loyalty to Jesus? How does Jesus' promise in verses 10-11 offer you comfort and motivation?
  - e) Here is your "One Thing" for this week: Write a letter of encouragement to someone you know who is facing persecution for their loyalty to the LORD. If you can't think of someone, talk to Matt Wynthein (or someone on the Mission's Committee).