



Poor but Rich

Home group discussion guide for [sermon](#) preached at CCK on 11/14/2021

MAIN PASSAGE

Revelation 2:8-11

SERMON THEMES

- 1) The Persecuted Church today
- 2) Smyrna in history (demands to declare Caesar as Lord)
- 3) Fragrance when crushed (myrrh)
- 4) God knows our suffering

CROSS REFERENCES

Heb. 13:1-3, Rom. 2:4, Eph. 3:16, Phil. 4:19, Heb. 11:32-39, 1 Pet 4:12-16

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read the description of Jesus in 2:8. How would this revelation of Jesus be a comfort to the church at Smyrna (and to you)?
2. Jesus declares of this church, that though they have poverty, they are rich. How do the riches that the Bible speaks of differ from the values in our society today?
3. Jesus is sovereign and He allows this church to be persecuted for 10 days. How in His sovereignty can He use persecution in our life for our benefit and for His glory? (Please find a cross reference in scripture OR share a testimony if you have personally experienced this in your own life)
4. What are the 2 instructions that He gives to this church (v10)? How does that prepare you as a believer to endure suffering if a time of persecution ever should come to believers in Canada?