Sermon Discussion Questions Revelation 2:1-7 | The Church in Ephesus

- 1. **Opening Question**: What's something you were once really passionate about that you've slowly drifted from over time?
- Read Revelation 2:1-7.
- 3. Why do you think Jesus commends the Ephesians for truth but still warns them so strongly for lacking love?
- 4. How do you see "syncretism" (mixing Christianity with other values) happening in churches like ours, or even in your own life?
- 5. The sermon explained how speaking true words without love can actually communicate a lie. Can you think of a time when that's happened in your relationships?
- 6. What helps you know if you're speaking the truth *in love* rather than just speaking the truth? What's a sign you're not speaking the truth in love?
- 7. Why do you think Jesus is willing to remove the lampstand (close a church) over a lack of love, even when their doctrine is solid?
- 8. In Genesis, Adam and Eve chose knowledge over love and lost life. How does that same temptation show up for Christians today?
- 9. Jesus unites truth and love perfectly. What are some ways you see that in his interactions in the Gospels? What about in your personal relationship with him?