

Group Questions

1. What stood out to you most about this weeks message?
2. What are some of the external threats to the church? What are some of the internal threats? Which do you feel are the greater danger and why?
3. Why is compromise such a deceptive and dangerous temptation for the church?
4. How can we be sure that the Scriptures are true? What evidence does this passage give us that we can believe God's Word?
5. Why is a merely privatized faith not an option for the genuine Christian?
6. How can you support those believers around the world who are being persecuted for their faith? How can you prepare yourself now for persecution if and when it comes to your life?
7. How might Christians be tempted to compromise their moral convictions in the name of open-mindedness and tolerance?
8. Why do you think immorality and idolatry are so closely connected? What are some of the idols that often accompany and fuel the immorality we often see around us?
9. What steps can you take to protect yourself and your church from compromising theologically?
10. Explain the idea of "hidden manna" from [Revelation 2:17](#) in your own words. How is it better than the false supply provided by the teaching of Balaam?
11. What is significant about receiving the stone with the new name on it? Why should believers find hope and strength to persevere in looking forward to receiving this stone?