

# I've Written You a Letter... Jesus

REVELATION CHAPTERS 2 & 3

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Pergamum...The Church that needed to Repent...Revelation 2:12-17

*"[Rom 2:5 ESV] 5 But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed." ~ Romans 2:5*

## Words of Wisdom

• *"The heavens will not be filled with those who never made mistakes but with those who recognized that they were off course and who corrected their ways to get back in the light of gospel truth."*  
~Dieter F. Uchtdorf

• *"The wonderful news is that our Lord is a God of mercy, and He responds to repentance."* ~Billy Graham

### **MAIN POINT:**

The church of Pergamum, like many churches today, worshiped Balaam - a false prophet. Jesus opposes any within His churches who promote a tolerant attitude toward sin (v. 15). *"I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me."* ...Exodus 20:2-3

### **A Lesson on How to Live our Lives...**

1. Who/What do we worship?

2. Repentance vs. Regret and Remorse...

3. Temptation and Opposition...

### **When God Calls, He Equips...**

4. In what ways have you experienced becoming a new person after deciding to follow Jesus?

Scripture: 2Corinthians 5:17

# Group Discussion

1. Who or what do you worship?
2. How is Repentance different from Regret and Remorse?
3. Jesus is saying they are doing well in the face of great temptation and opposition. What areas are we as Christian men most susceptible to temptation in our culture?
4. READ *2Corinthians 5:17*... In what ways have you experienced becoming a new person after deciding to follow Jesus?

- In your rebirth; are you now a man after God's Own Heart?

# Prayer

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Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

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How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)