## **Letters Week 1 Study Guide Letter to Ephesus**

- 1.) On Sunday, we began a new mini series that will walk us through the letters to the 7 churches in Asia Minor. Seth called Ephesus a city that was the 'cream of the crop' in comparison to other Roman cities. What details to you remember about the culture of Ephesus?
- 2.) What is the most impressive city that you have visited?
- 3.) Read Revelation 2:1. Which verses from Revelation chapter 1 are being quoted by John?
- 4.) What truths can we learn about Jesus in Revelation 2:1?
- 5.) Read Revelation 2:2-3. Which characteristics of the church in Ephesus impress you?
- 6.) Read Revelation 2:4. Imagine that you are in the church in Ephesus as this is being read aloud for the first time. What would you think or feel?
- 7.) Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-3. How do these verses relate to Revelation 2:4?
- 8.) It's common for Christians to resemble the church in Ephesus. We can remain faithful to the works in our ministries and missions, while our love for Christ is empty. When is the last time you experienced this?

- 9.) Read Revelation 2:5-6 together. How might these verses encourage and challenge the Christians in Ephesus?
- 10.) Read Genesis chapter 3 & Revelation 2:7. How do these passages relate to one another? What do you think or feel after reading these passages together?
- 11.) Revelation 2:1-7 was written *to* the church in Ephesus and *for* us. What do you sense that Christ wants you to take away from the letter to the church in Ephesus?
- 12.) Spend some time in prayer. Lead into your prayer time with this question: What do you love most about Jesus? Then take some time to share your answers with Christ in prayer.