

Letters from the Lord

Revelation 2-3

I) Activity He Addresses

“I know thy Works”

A. Divine Design

Eph 2:10

10 For we are his workmanship, (created in Christ Jesus unto good works), which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. (Ordain – to prepare beforehand)

B. Determined Destiny

Matt 16:24-27

24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

C. Deliberate Declaration

Titus 3:8

8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

II) Attention He Admonishes

“Let him hear”

A. Person that’s Heard

1 Thess 2:13

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

B. Pattern that’s Heeded

Acts 17:11

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

To Receive (paralambano - to receive near, i.e. associate with oneself)

Para - near

Lambano –to take hold

III) **Assurance He Applies**

“He that Overcometh”

A. Title He Gives (Overcomer)

1 John 5:4-5

4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

1 John 4:4

4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

B. Truth He Guarantees

- 1. Provision** (Tree of Life, Hidden Manna)
- 2. Protection** (No second Death)
- 3. Promotion** (Sit with me in my Throne)

Life Group Questions

1. Have you taken the new gifts and passions test, in order to help you determine the purpose that God has for you to fulfill?
2. Are you involved right now in an area of ministry that is complimented by the gifts and passions that you have? (If not Why?)
3. Do you believe that if you are not involved in the area that God has purposed for you then someone else has to do their job and yours to?
4. When the preacher gets up to preach, do you look at it as if it is coming from the Lord, and what steps can you take to be sure it is? (**hint-Acts 17:11**)
5. When you listen to the message preached are you listening with a willing and open mind to be able to be obedient and a doer of the word?
6. Many times people think it is great what the preacher is saying till it drops in their lap, read Acts 2 and Acts 7 and look at the two reactions to preaching, what should our reaction be and how can we be sure to have this reaction?
7. Look at one another and say ten times “No matter what happens we are **OVERCOMERS**”