SERMON NOTES

HANG ON - CHURCH OF SMYRNA REVELATION 2:8-11 | OCTOBER 30, 2022 SENIOR PASTOR TIM HARKNESS



l. Do not	false accusation or even attack, for you belong to Jesus. (8-10

II.	Bet	o be tested, even unto death. (10b)
	Be a conqueror for les	us, and you willtaste of the second
	death, Hell. (11)	

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS KEY PASSAGE: REVELATION 2:8-11

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage? Do not fear false accusation or even attack, for you belong to Jesus; Be ready to be tested, even unto death; Be a conqueror for Jesus, and you will never taste of the second death, Hell.

INFORM THE HEAD / STIR THE HEART

1. Please compare verses 8 and 11. What authority does Jesus have to make the promises that He is giving?

2. Please describe the tribulation the church in Smyrna faced.

3. How were they both poor and rich, and what insight does that give you about what God values?

4. What commands did Jesus give them in dealing with their tribulation and poverty, and what hope did He give to accomplish His commands?

5. What hope do the following verses tell you about suffering?

a. Romans 5:3-5

b. James 1:2-4

c. 1 Peter 1:6-7

d. 1 Peter 5:6-11

- 6. Looking back on those verses in question 5, how is God's view of suffering different from how the world views suffering?
- 7. How did Jesus describe Himself at the start of the letter to this week's church? How is His description connected to the main purpose of this week's letter?

CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned in Sunday's message and in your study time, what is one measurable thing you will go after this week in your walk with Christ?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

Monday, October 31 // Acts 14:1-23 Continue in the Faith

Tuesday, November 1 // James 1:1-18 Count it All Joy

Wednesday, November 2 // 1 Peter 1:1-9 More Precious than Gold

Thursday, November 3 // Psalm 31:9-24 The Lord Preserves the Faithful

Friday, November 4 // Revelation 2:12-17 Stay Pure – Church of Pergamum