



# DEAR EPHESUS,

REVELATION 2:1-7

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### Truth vs. Love

- Jesus commends the Ephesians for their perseverance and doctrinal accuracy but rebukes them for forsaking their first love. Discuss the tension between being rooted in truth and expressing Christ's love.
- What are signs that someone (or a church) has lost their "first love"?
- Have you ever seen a church (or person) who was "right" but not loving? How did that impact you/others?

### Personal Reflection

- Was it truth, love, or both that drew you to Christ?
- Have you experienced God's love? What difference did it make beyond just knowing the truth?
- How did God's love first change you?

### Signs of Losing Love

- Explore ways churches (or individuals) can give the "religious finger" while defending truth. Share stories of when you've seen this happen.
- What are some warning signs that we (as individuals or as a church) may be losing our "first love"?

# LOSING LOVE, CONT.

## **Repent & Return**

- Jesus calls the Ephesians to “remember, repent, and do the things you did at first.” Talk about what repentance looks like in this context.
- What might that look like in your life right now?

## **Living It Out**

- What would it look like for K1 to be known as a people of both truth and love? Think practically - and how can you be a part of making that happen?
- What are you doing out of love for Jesus rather than obligation?
- How can you personally pursue someone in your life with Christ's love this week?
- Who is one person God might be calling you to actively pursue with love this week? What step can you take toward them?