

Points To Remember

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TITLE: "When the Church Suffers"
TEXT: Revelation 2:8-11
SERIES: *A Word to the Church*
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INTRODUCTION

"In this world you will have trouble." John 16:33

"...everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." II Timothy 3:12

I. A WORD OF ASSURANCE. v. 8

1. Jesus is _____.

"...who is the First and the Last"

2. Jesus is the _____.

"...who died and came back to life again."

II. A WORD OF APPROVAL. v. 9

"afflictions...poverty...slander"

In spite of their suffering, they are _____!

III. A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT. v. 10

1. Do not be _____.

"Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer."

2. Do not _____ no matter what.

"Be faithful, even to the point of death"

IV. A WORD OF PROMISE. vv. 10c-11

"crown of life"

"will not hurt at all by the second death"

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CONCLUSION

"For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all." II Corinthians 4:17