



DEAR CHURCH

Faith That Endures – Colin Villanueva

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Sermon Recap:

1. God is fully aware of my present circumstances. I have not been forgotten.
2. An unchanging circumstance is not the neglect of God's compassion..
3. Trust God's character and his promises, not a change in earthly circumstances.
4. Be Faithful. Live for Jesus No Matter What.

Life Group Questions:

Starter Question: What stood out to you about this weekend's message?

- 1 - Why do you think Jesus begins by identifying Himself as "the First and the Last, who died and came to life again"? How does this specific description bring comfort to a church facing intense persecution?
- 2 - The Christians in Smyrna were facing poverty, slander, imprisonment, and martyrdom. And yet, Jesus reminds them that they are rich. What do you think he means by that?
- 3 - There is no correction, only encouragement for the church in Smyrna. What stands out to you about this?
- 4 - Jesus gives the command: "Do not fear" (v. 10). What fears or anxieties most often keep you from fully trusting or obeying Christ in your daily life?
- 5 - What is one area where God is calling you to remain faithful?
- 6 - "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches" (Revelation 2:11) is a repeated phrase to the seven churches. What do you believe that the Spirit is saying to you?