

1. Vs. 1 – Notice the words “unto the Angel of the church.”
 - a. Angel here and in the scriptures means messenger/pastor
 - b. Means “Unto the pastor of the church.”
 - c. Pastor’s are the ones who God holds accountable
2. Vs. 2 – “I know thy works”
 - a. He begins praising them for their good things
 - i. Their labor
 - ii. Their patience
 - iii. Can bear them which are evil
 - iv. They tried them who say they’re apostles and are not. They found them liars
 1. Disciples mean – learners or students
 2. Apostles – sent on behalf of another
 3. Apostle is the title Jesus gave to His closest circle of friends (The twelve Luke 6:13)
 4. He set them apart to announce the good news of the kingdom
 - a. Matt 10:1-23
 - b. Luke 8:1 & 9:1-6
 - c. Christ’s Final Commission
 - i. Matt 28:19-20 is to make disciples extending the term to All who came to Jesus in the Faith
 5. Hast borne
 6. Hast patience
 7. Hast labored for His name sake but have not fainted
 - b. Christ starts off commending them, but in Hebrew 12:6 says “whom the Lord loves He chastens.”
 3. Vs. 4 – I have somewhat against thee because thou hast left thy first love
 - a. Notice the word “left”
 - b. It doesn’t say “lost your first love”
 - c. Jesus clearly speaks that they have departed from the one and only savior.
 - d. We can get so busy we forget what’s most important
 - i. No prayer life
 - ii. No Study of scripture
 - iii. No worshipping
 - iv. No alone time for Him
 4. Vs. 5 – Remember where thou art fallen and repent
 - a. Repent means to completely turn away from the thing or things that separate you and God
 - b. Do the first works

- c. What was some things you did when you first got saved?
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
- d. How much time did you give God each day?
 - i. _____
- e. What have you stopped doing?
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
- f. Do you feel you need to repent of anything today?
 - i. _____
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- g. When we lose sight of the seriousness of sin, we begin to lose the thrill of our forgiveness.
- 5. Vs. 5 – He will come quickly and will remove your candlestick out of His place except thou repent
 - a. Notice the word “Will”
 - b. He doesn’t say “maybe” or “might”
 - c. Do you believe Jesus lies?
 - d. Look at the word “Candlestick”
 - i. It’s the light
 - ii. The Holy Spirit brings us light
 - iii. He would be removing His spirit from them
 - e. If you repent then the promise is filled in Vs. 7
 - i. To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the tree of life
 - ii. In paradise of God
 - f. Jesus warns them that their lights would go out
 - g. Jesus himself will extinguish any light that did not fulfill its purpose
 - h. The church had to repent of their sins
- 6. These were believers who compromised their faith in order to enjoy some of the sinful practices of Ephesian society.
- 7. The world needs Christians who will stand for God’s truth and point people towards right living.