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Pergamum: The Compromising Church

Revelation 2:12-17

DIVING DEEPER

1. Jesus is described in this letter as him who has the sharp two-edged sword. Pastor Joel described this as Jesus is the Word! Look up the following verses and write down what the Word does:
   - Ephesians 6:16-18
   - II Timothy 3:16-17
   - Hebrews 4:12
   - Hebrews 11:3
   - Revelation 19:11-16

2. In His letter to the church in Pergamum, Jesus says that there are some who hold to the teaching of Balaam. Read about Balaam from Numbers 22-24 and write down how Balaam's affections were divided between the World (Satan's headquarters) and God:

3. Kindle your affections for Christ by reading the account of the crucifixion from Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, and John 19. Write down how specifically Jesus showed His love that day as He showed ultimate love and laid down His life for our sins. (Example - He made sure that His mom would be cared for.)

Connection Card Next Steps: James 4:4

I will take time this week to prayerfully evaluate my affections and repent of any divided affections that I have.

I commit this week to take time each day to kindle my affections for Jesus by reading the Word and meditating on it throughout the day.