Shiloh Chapel Ministries Sunday, October 4, 2015 This series: *Jesus and His church:* Revelation chap. 1-3

Today:Lesson 2: Church 1: Ephesus:

- Looking at 7 churches in the next 7 weeks
- What is Jesus _____ in His church?
- ► How can we be that church today –
- Who is the church? _____
- ► 2 weeks ago: Revelation 1: the
- ► Today: Lesson 2: Ephesus: First

Our new memory verse: Revelation <u>1.8</u>, NIV

 ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,

"who is, and who was, and who is to come, the _____

Text: Revelation 2.1-7

What can we learn from Jesus' instruction to the Ephesian church?

- First and foremost:
- Jesus _____
- ► He ______
- ► He ______

What did Jesus know?

The good stuff: their _____

- 1. Their _____
- 2. Their _____
- 3. "I know that you cannot tolerate
- 4. You have persevered and have endured ______for _____
- 5. and have not grown _____

But Jesus also saw a problem:

- You have _____you had at first.
 - Consider how far you have fallen!
 - So, what should they and we do?
 - and do the things you did at first.

Who were the Nicolaitans?

- Their Problems:
- "eating meat _____to idols
 And ______
- <u>http://www.biblestudytools.com/commentari</u> es/revelation/related-topics/nicolaitans.html
- Or, ______with the current _____
 We are to be the ______who
 - influence others

Back to the key issue: _____

- Christian love is a _____ to God's love
- This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ_____for us.
 - 1 John 3.16
- A new command I give you: ______
 Jn 13.34

How can we <u>love</u>??

We love because He ______ 1 John 4.19

And we receive a _____

To the one who is _____, I will give the right to eat from the _____ which is in the paradise of God.

So, how will you _____

- ⁷Whoever has ears, let them
 what the Spirit says to the churches.
- Keep ______
- Keep ______
- Keep _____