

First Things - How to Recapture Your First Love



**9 If you declare with your mouth,
“Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your
heart that God raised him from the
dead, you will be saved.**

Romans 10:9-10 (NIV)



10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

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Revelation 2:1-7 (NIV)



2 I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false.

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3 You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

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4 Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first.

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12 Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,

Matthew 24:12 (NIV)



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**18 I am the Living One; I was dead,
and now look, I am alive for ever
and ever! And I hold the keys of
death and Hades.**

Revelation 1:18 (NIV)



**20 A bruised reed he will not break,
and a smoldering wick he will not
snuff out, till he has brought justice
through to victory.**

Matthew 12:20 (NIV)



10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

2 Corinthians 5:10 (NIV)



20 The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

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Revelation 2:2-3 (NIV)



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Revelation 2:4-5 (NIV)



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Revelation 2:4-5 (NIV)



37 Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’

Matthew 22:37 (NIV)



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Revelation 2:5 (NIV)



5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5 (NIV)

