



VALLEY REAL LIFE

Dear Church | Smyrna and Pergamum

Last Week

Did you spend time last week thinking about your first love as related to your faith?

Opener

Have you ever been in a situation where fear kept you quiet instead of speaking out? Can you share?

Questions

When you consider things that hold you back in your personal growth in faith, which one is the most difficult for you to overcome; fear and/or compromise?

What are some reasons that make compromising our faith so easy? What are some solutions?

Have you ever found yourself in a situation where you were afraid because of your faith? Has fear kept you from living out a specific area of your faith?

When you became a follower of Jesus, did it ever occur to you that being faithful until death might be an expectation? Would that have given you pause in your decision to follow Jesus?

Apply SOAP (Scripture, Observation, Application, Prayer) to:

Revelations 2:10b (NLT)

... But if you remain faithful even when facing death, I will give you the crown of life.

Read the verses out loud together,

- *Share your observations,*
- *Discuss Application*
- *Close in Prayer*

Next Steps:

What are some ways you can resist fear and stop compromising that will allow you to grow stronger in your faith?