

Relate Group Questions

March 1, 2020

Ice Breaker Question: As a child, where was the local “haunted house” in your town? Did you ever go near it?

Relate Group Value: Sensitivity – Committing to sensitivity to the needs, feelings, backgrounds and current situations of other group members helps build relationships in the group.

Sermon Title: To the Church in Pergamum

Sermon Text: Revelation 2:12-17

Other Relevant Scriptures: Revelation 1:16; 2:6; Exodus 16:13-16, 31; Numbers 25:1-9; 31:16; Ephesians 6:10-18; Revelation 3:12; 22:4; John 6:47-51; 20:30-31.

1. What is commendable about the church in Pergamum (v. 13)?
2. What is challenging about the culture of Pergamum for the believers?
3. What is challenging in our culture for us as believers at FirstNSB?
4. What does Jesus have against the church in Pergamum (vv. 14-15)?
5. Balaam appears in Numbers 22-24. Based on Numbers 25:1-9 and 31:16 what did Balaam do that resulted in Israel’s sin? What is happening among the church in Pergamum that is similar?
6. Which do you think is easier to endure: Persecution by enemies or seduction by the culture? Why?
7. What is repentance? Why is repenting from sin necessary in the life of a believer?
8. What is promised to the one who conquers (v. 17)? What does the hidden manna and the white stone represent?
9. What cultural influences distract you from your relationship with Christ?
10. Why is it so dangerous to tolerate sin in the church?
11. What weapons has God given you to do battle with (Ephesians 6:10-18)? How are you putting on God’s armor each day?

Weekly Check-up:

Who’s your one? Are you praying for this person regularly? Are you seeking to have a gospel conversation with them?

How is your daily Bible reading going?

How has your prayer life been this past week?

Are you struggling in your obedience to God?

In what ways are you serving in our church?

Are you consistently giving to support the mission of our church?

Have you shared Jesus with anyone this past week?

Have you invited anyone to worship or small group?

What do you need prayer and encouragement for today?