

Once Upon a Future 4/6/2025 | Choose Your Path Reflect + Discuss

- What's your favorite type of vacation? Do you prefer to go to the beach, mountains, or cities?
- Read Revelation 2:12-17. What is the church of Pergamum doing well? What areas do they need to improve on?
- Read Revelation 2:18-29. What is the church of Thyatira doing well? What areas do they need to improve on? What is the difference between the problems or "riptides" Pergamum is facing and the problems Thyatira is facing?
- What are some ways that we can identify false teaching? Why do you think John keeps warning the churches about this danger?
- What are some ways you experience the pressure to conform to culture? Can you identify some areas in your work, relationships, or personal habits where the pressure might be greatest? (Remember the 7 idols: Power, celebrity, youth, beauty, wealth, success, self)
- How can we navigate the narrow path while balancing love and truth? Do you think you are more likely to lean into one area than the other?
- How often do you think about the things that are forming you? Can you identify where you might be drifting from the shore? Is there a change you sense God is calling you to make? Are there any ways our group can support one another as we resist the temptations of Babylon?

Pray

Pray that we would be a church that resists false teaching, the lure of Babylon, and pressure to conform. Pray that we could call one another back to shore and walk the narrow path together. Pray that we would endure the challenges of living in a fallen world while also embracing and sharing the love we have received from Jesus.

Next Steps

Check out the <u>resources page</u> for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out <u>courses</u>.