

**EPHESUS: THE CHURCH WITH THE FATAL FLAW**  
**(Revelation 2:1-7)**

**I. The THINGS Which You HAVE SEEN (Revelation 1)**

**II. The THINGS Which ARE (Revelation 2-3)**

**A. Ephesus: The Church With The Fatal \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1-7)**

1. The **Command** to \_\_\_\_\_ ... to the church at Ephesus concerning “\_\_\_\_\_”(2:1a)

- Who is the messenger to this Church?

2. The **Church & City** ... was at \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1)

- What was its location & significance?

3. The **Critic** is ... \_\_\_\_\_ and He says to the messenger...”I \_\_\_\_\_”! (2:2)

- What do we see about the Critic here? (2:1)

a. Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_ the seven stars in His right \_\_\_\_\_ (2:1b) which means His hand is:

b. Jesus Christ walks in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the 7 golden candlesticks which means:

4. The **Commendations** of Christ given this church include:

a. their \_\_\_\_\_ .... “...your works, labor, & patience” (2:2a)

b. their \_\_\_\_\_ .... “you cannot bear those who are evil (2:2b)

c. their \_\_\_\_\_... “ you have tested those who say they are apostles & are not & you have found them liars” (2:2c)

d. their \_\_\_\_\_ ... “ you have preserved, been patient, have labored, & have not become weary for my name sake (2:3)

e. their \_\_\_\_\_ ... “you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate”(2:6)

5. The **Criticism** leveled... “I have this \_\_\_\_\_ you...you have \_\_\_\_\_ your first love!”

- What does “left” mean?
- Who does their “first love” refer to?
- What does the word “first” mean?

6. The **Correction** needed:

a. \_\_\_\_\_ therefore, from where you have fallen

b. \_\_\_\_\_ —have a decisive change of mind

c. \_\_\_\_\_ ... “do the first works”

- What are these “first works”?
- What do these admonitions appeal to?
- Do you really need to take heed to this command? (2:5b)

7. The **Closing Encouragement** we need to \_\_\_\_\_ : (2:7)

a. Christ’s encouragement to the individual believer (2:7a)

b. Christ’s encouragement to the “overcomer” (2:7b)

\* What does all this mean to you?