THE BOOK OF REVELATION

"What Jesus Says To A Suffering Church"

Rev 2:8-11 June 4, 2017 Part 3 of 19

Intro:

5 Encouragements to Look up and Look Ahead When You're Suffering

1. *I KNOW*

When you're suffering remember ...

- Jesus knows what you're going through
- Jesus understands what you're going through

2. DO NOT BE AFRAID

Rev 2:8-11 (NLT)

Two Things to Remember

- a. When Jesus says don't be afraid He isn't saying, "Don't feel anything"
- b. Watch out for being <u>afraid</u> of being <u>afraid</u>
- Psalm 3:5-6 (NIV)

3. ITELL YOU

- 4 Different Kinds of persecution in these verses ...
- a. Poverty
- b. Slander
- c. Prison
- d. Death

Where Does Persecution come from?

- a. The **Powerful**
- b. The **Culture**
- c. The <u>Jealous</u>
- d. The <u>Evil One</u>

4. BE FAITHFUL

- 1 Corinthians 1:9 (NCV)
- 2 Thessalonians 3:3 (NCV)

5. I WILL GIVE YOU

• James 1:12 (NIV)