Revelation Redeemed

Rekindling Lost Love

Jesus' Charge against Ephesus

4 But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

When Love Grows Dim

Love is all that matters

Look at all the things that did not stand:

Pedigree

Theological Accuracy

Tireless Effort

When Love Grows Dim

- Despite all they had going for them:
- 2:4 Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love. 5 Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.

The Heart is the Main thing

1 Corinthians 13:**1**If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. **2**And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. **3** If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

How did we get here?

• Whenever we find that our religious life is making us feel that we are good - above all, that we are better than someone else - I think we may be sure that we are being acted on, not by God, but by the devil. — <u>C.S. Lewis</u>

Revelation 2:5Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first.

Remember
 The Scandal of the Gospel
 How it felt the first time
 The completeness of his Love

- 1. Remember
- 2. Repent
 - 1. Examine Yourself
 - 2. Pray Honestly

- 1. Remember
- 2. Repent
- 3. Re-do

Do those things you so readily did when you were overwhelmed by his love. Act yourself into a new way of feeling.