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2. Do you love your brothers and sisters in Christ with active, serving practicality? Are there those you struggle to love? Is a lack of love for others something you need to repent of (cf. Revelation 2:5a)? Remember, the command to love others does not come with the power to fulfill it. We cannot love others without first comprehending God's love for us (1 John 4:19). How does understanding God's love for you in Christ change the way you understand how you should love those around you?
3. No matter what Satan can throw against God's people he will never win. How should this reality aid you as you deal with suffering, trial and tribulation? Read the letter to the church in Smyrna (Revelation 2:8-11). How does Christ's perspective of earthly trouble and heavenly reward inform your understanding of difficult situations in your lives?

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