

Series Summary

**7 HABITS OF
HIGHLY EFFECTIVE
CHURCHES**

Revelation 2 & 3

“Lawn Chair Larry”



You just can't sit there!

modern day
TURKEY



Pergamos



Thyatira



Smyrna



Sardis



Philadelphia



Ephesus



Laodicea

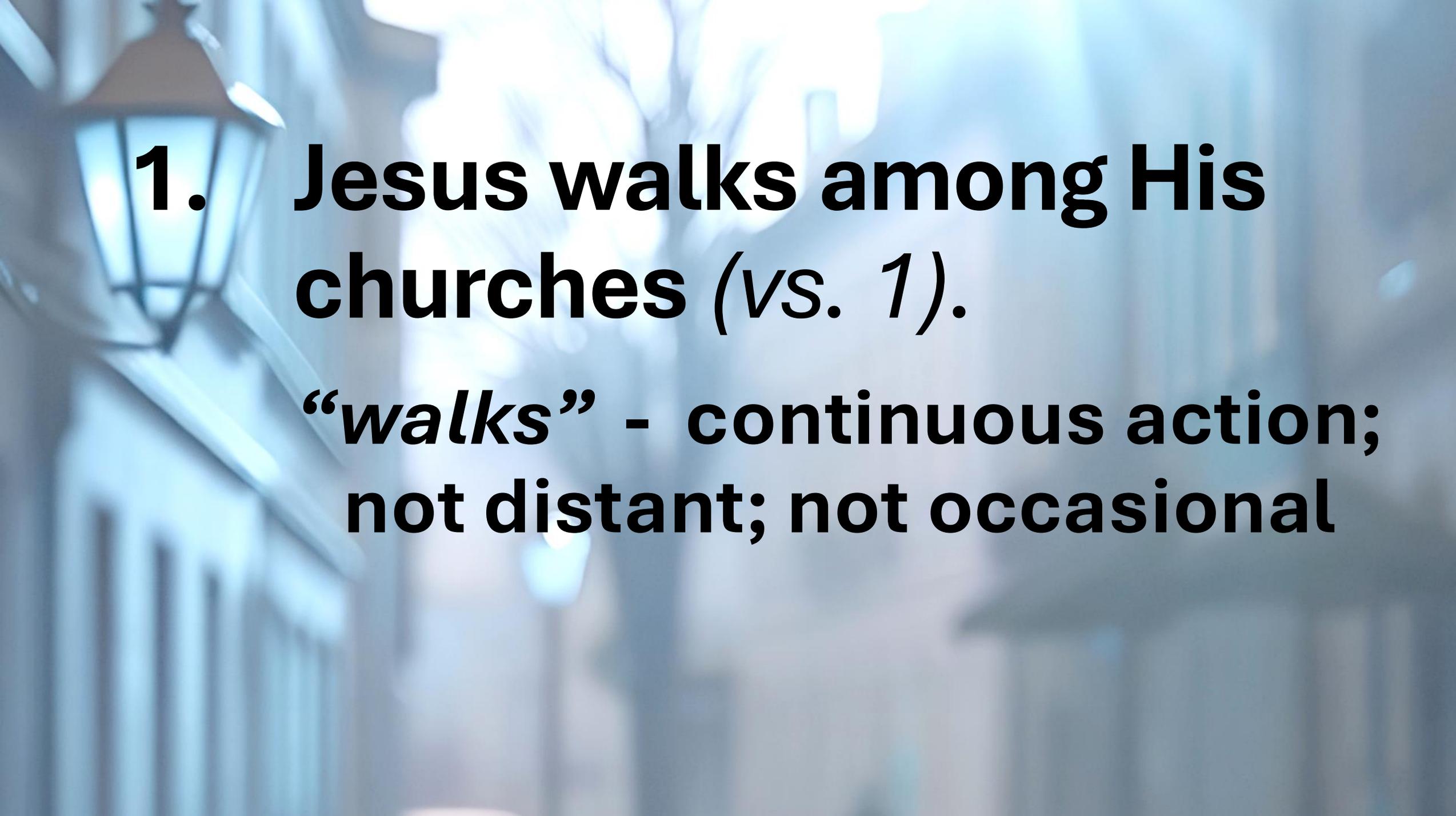




Habit #1
A Passion for God

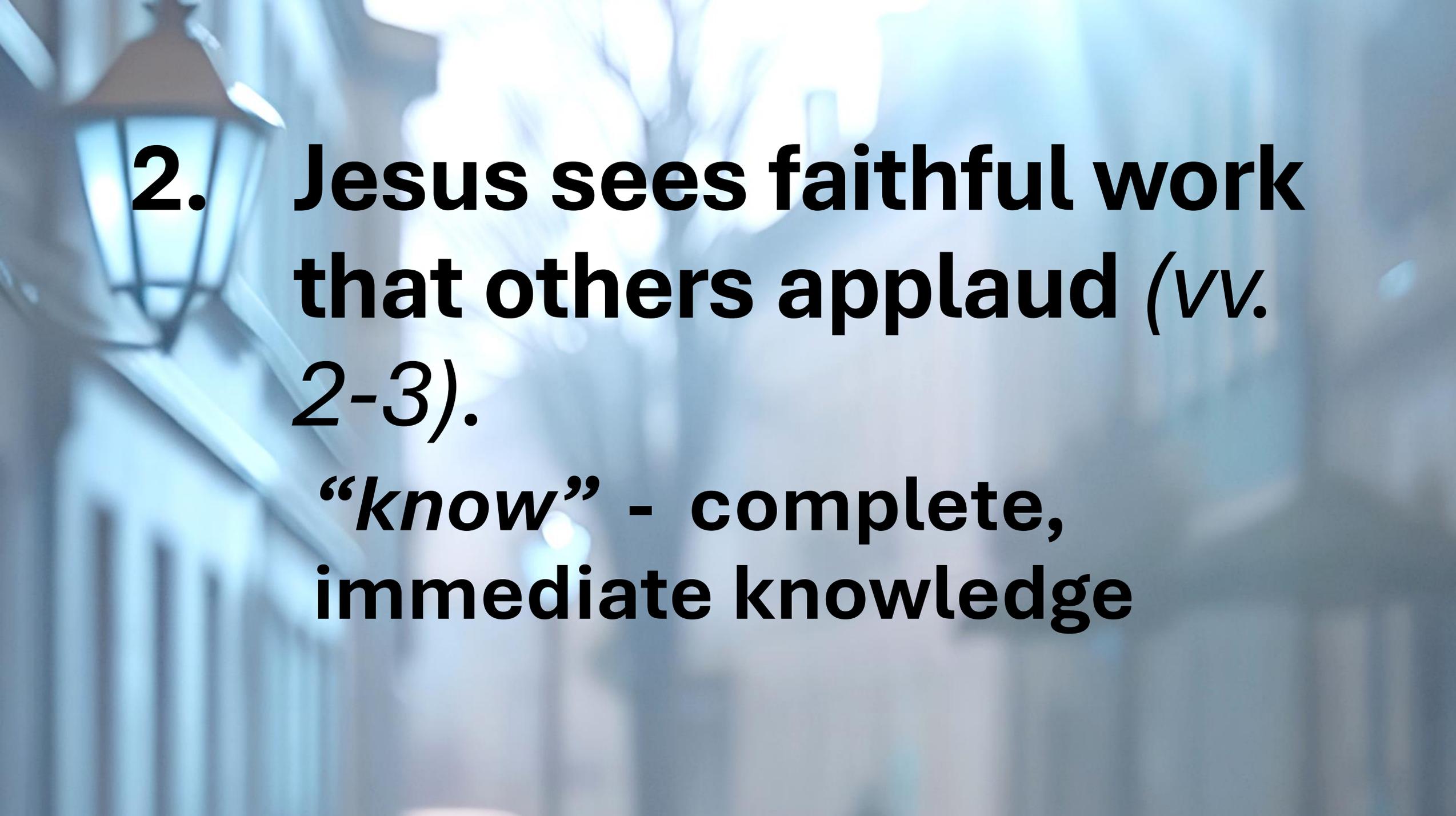
Rev. 2:1-7 Ephesus
(First Love Devotion)

**Loving Christ personally & passionately, not
just serving Him faithfully**



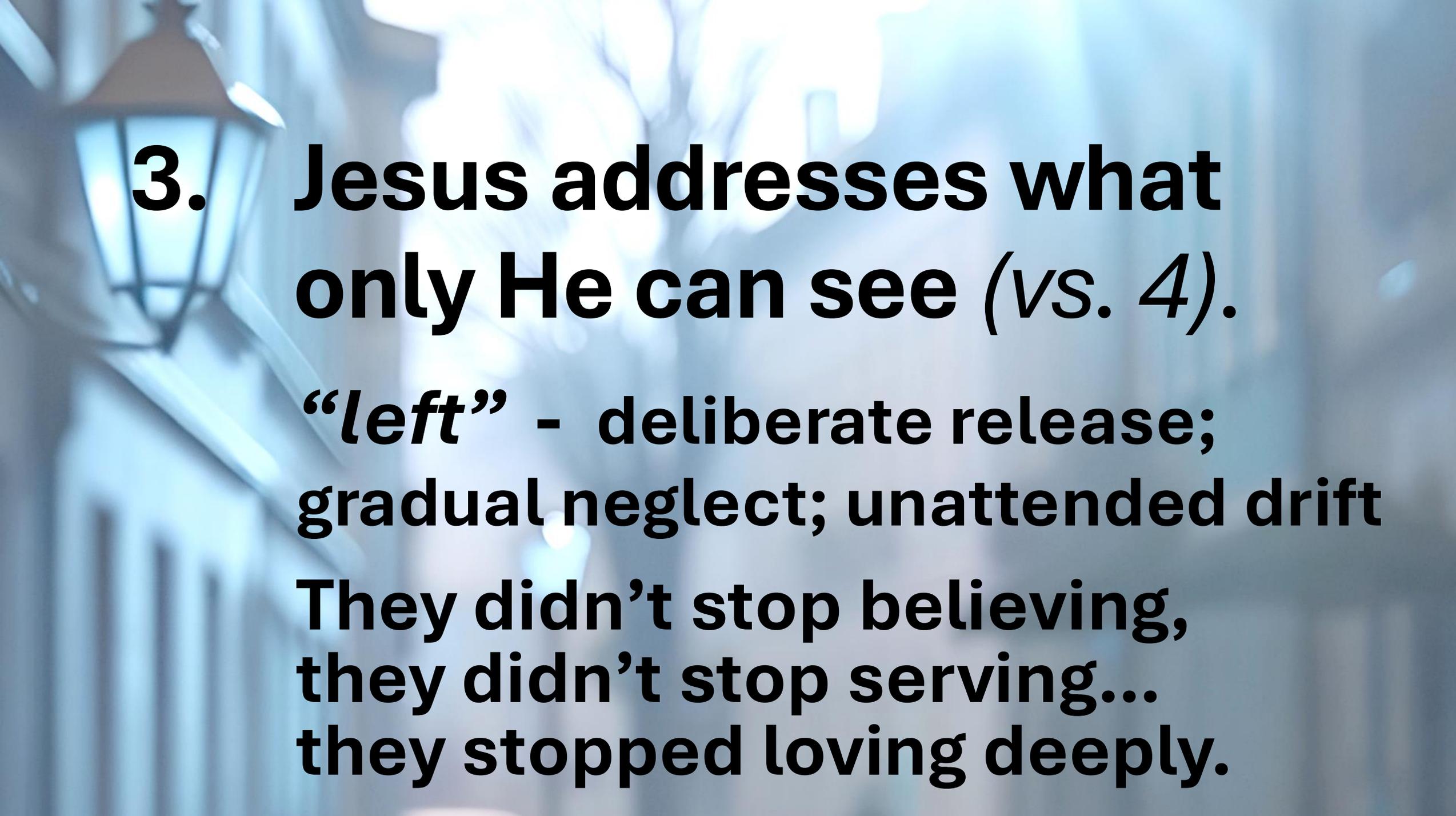
1. Jesus walks among His churches (vs. 1).

**“*walks*” - continuous action;
not distant; not occasional**



**2. Jesus sees faithful work
that others applaud (vv.
2-3).**

**“*know*” - complete,
immediate knowledge**



3. Jesus addresses what only He can see (vs. 4).

**“*left*” - deliberate release;
gradual neglect; unattended drift**

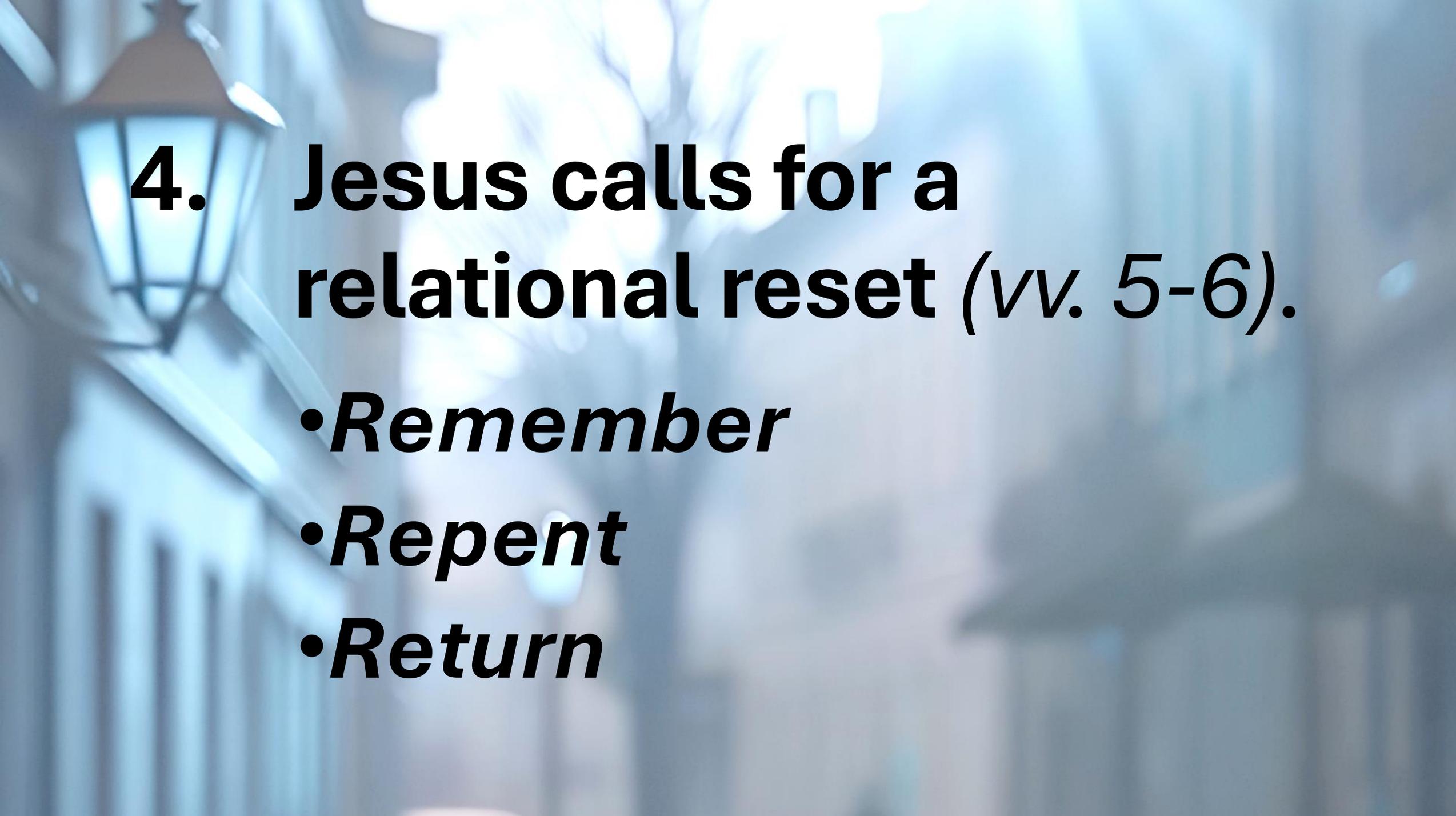
**They didn't stop believing,
they didn't stop serving...
they stopped loving deeply.**

They slowly replaced intimacy with activity.

- **A church can be theologically right and relationally cold.**
- **Doing things for Jesus can quietly replace loving Jesus.**

A cobblestone street at night, illuminated by warm, glowing streetlights. The scene is bathed in a soft, blue-toned light, suggesting dusk or dawn. In the background, a building with a lit window and a street lamp is visible. The overall atmosphere is serene and quiet.

Effective churches are not the ones that do the most, but the ones that love Jesus first.

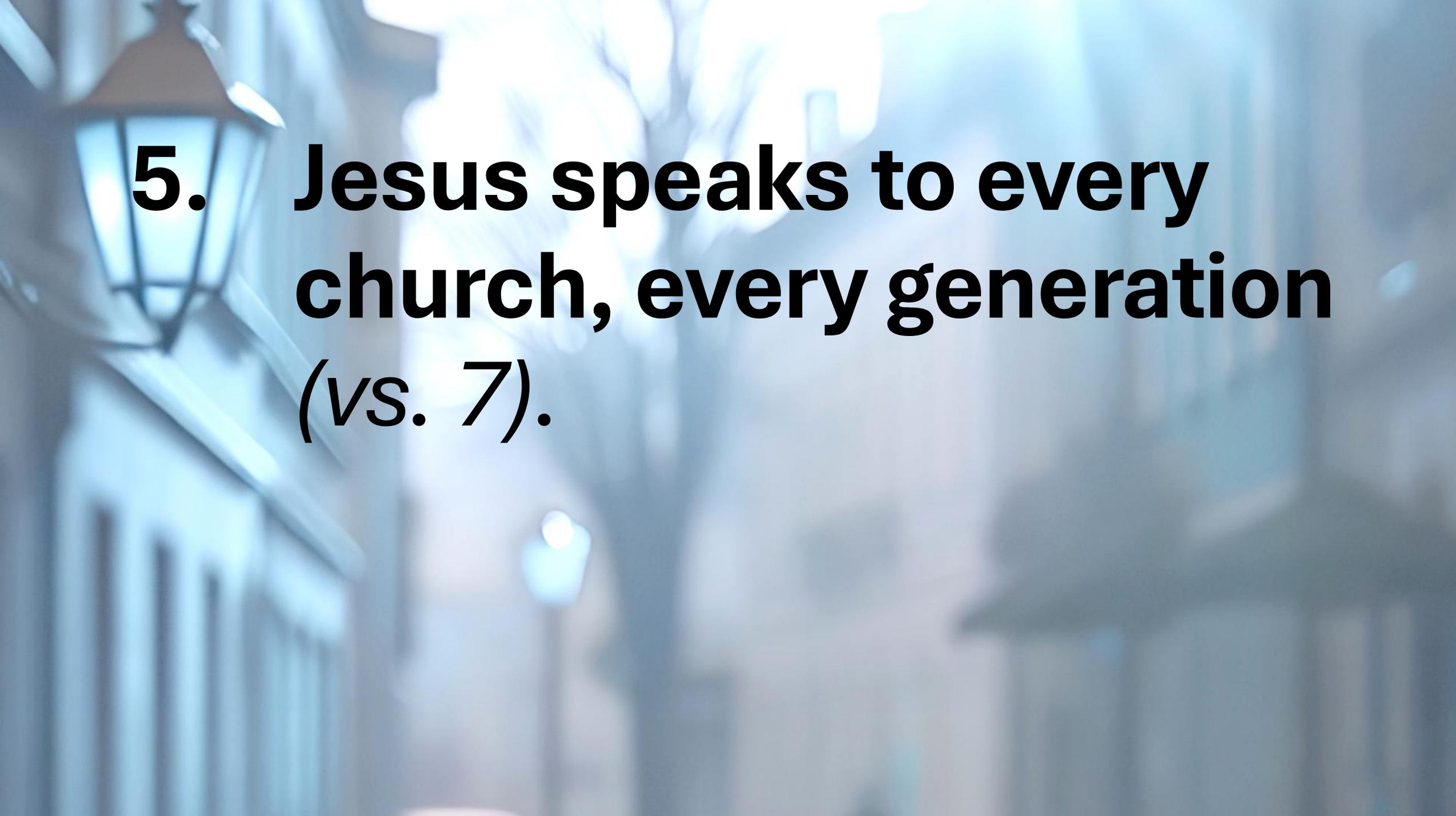


4. Jesus calls for a relational reset (vv. 5-6).

- *Remember*

- *Repent*

- *Return*



5. Jesus speaks to every church, every generation (vs. 7).

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Celebrating God's

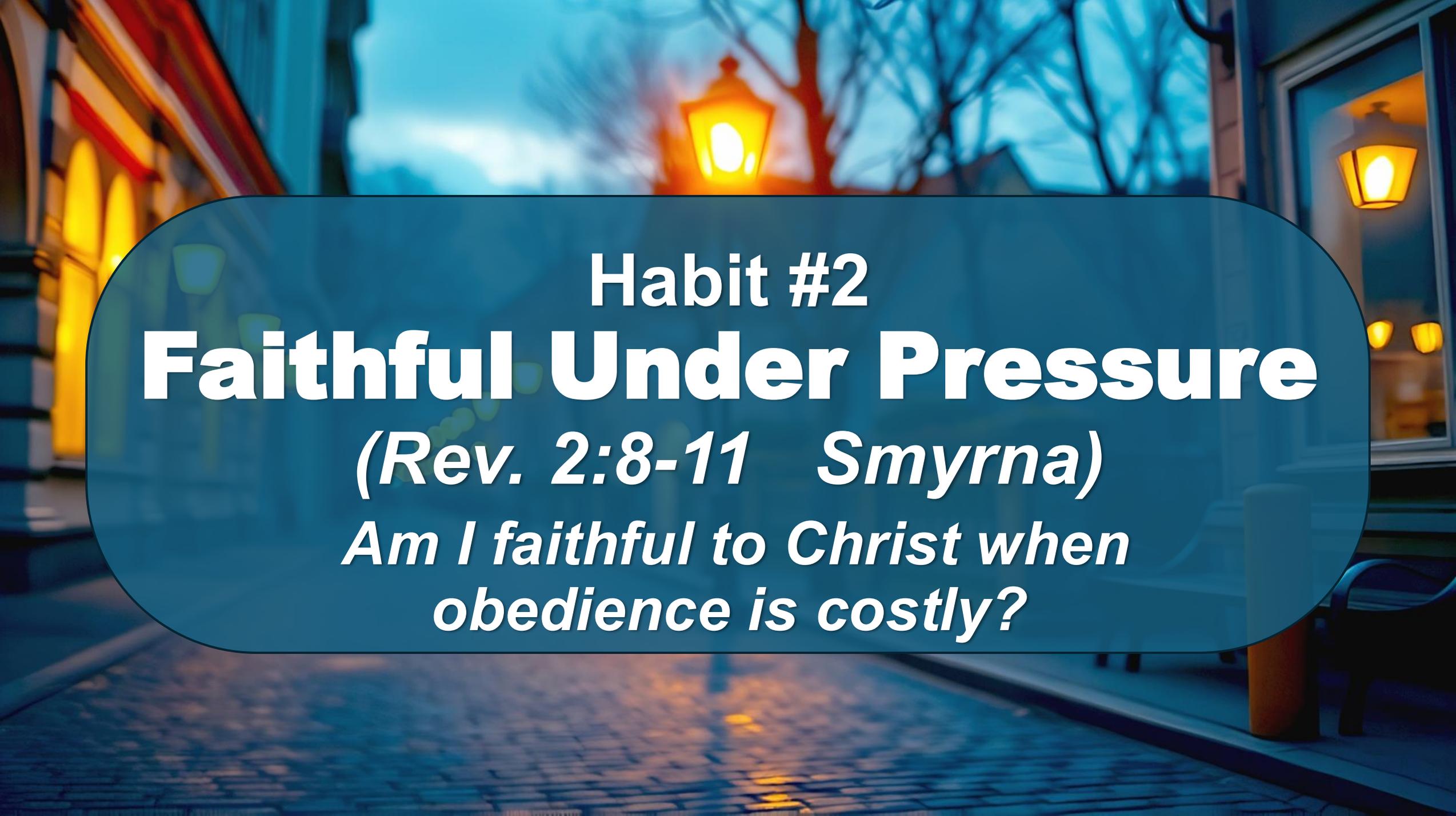


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Goodness on Guam



**Helping People Develop
a Heart for God**



Habit #2
Faithful Under Pressure
(Rev. 2:8-11 Smyrna)
*Am I faithful to Christ when
obedience is costly?*

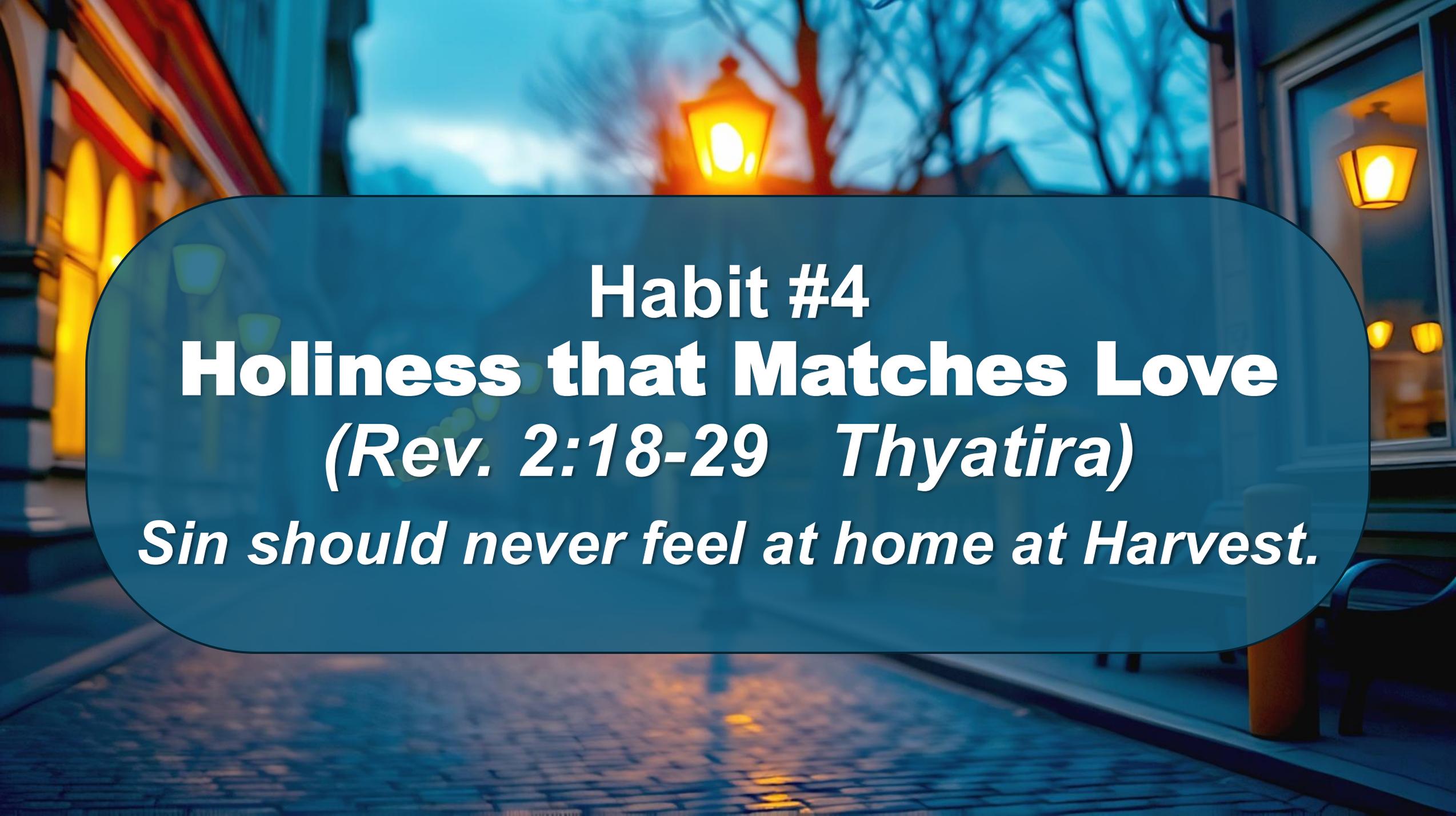


Habit #3

Truth without Compromise

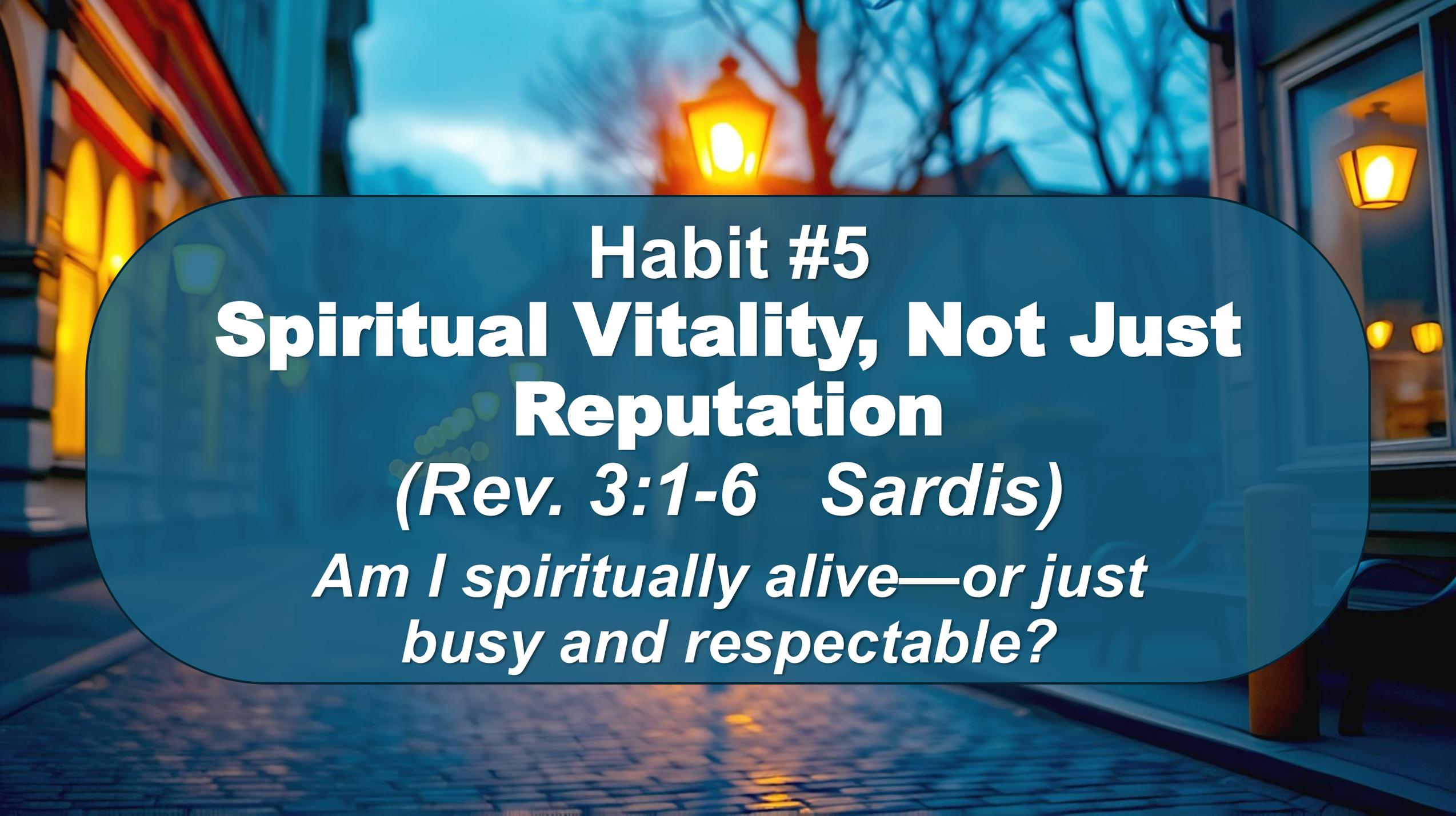
(Rev. 2:12-17 Pergamos)

Where am I tolerating compromise in truth or practice?



Habit #4
Holiness that Matches Love
(Rev. 2:18-29 Thyatira)

Sin should never feel at home at Harvest.



Habit #5
Spiritual Vitality, Not Just
Reputation

(Rev. 3:1-6 Sardis)

*Am I spiritually alive—or just
busy and respectable?*



Habit #6
Faithful Obedience with
Open Doors

(Rev. 3:7-13 Philadelphia)

Am I obeying God even when I feel weak?



Habit #7
A Passion for God
(Rev. 3:14-22 Laodicea)

Don't settle for comfortable Christianity.

Ephesus (2:1-7)

Smyrna (2:8-11)

Pergamos (2:12-17) ...

Thyatira (2:18-29)

Habit #1: A Passion for God – we called it First Love Devotion

- *Do I love Jesus as deeply as when I first followed Him?*

Habit #2: Faithful under pressure

- *Am I faithful to Christ when obedience is costly?*

Habit #3: Truth without Compromise

- **Where am I tolerating compromise in truth or practice?**

Habit #4: Holiness that matches love

- *Is my love matched by personal holiness?*

Sardis (3:1-6)

Philadelphia (3:7-13) ...

Laodicea (3:14-22)

Habit #5: Spiritual vitality, not just reputation

- *Am I spiritually alive—or just busy and respectable?*

Habit #6: Faithful obedience with open doors

- *Am I obeying God even when I feel weak?*

Habit #7: A passion for God

- *What am I relying on more than Christ?*

