



## ***The End: Complacency & Identity***

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### **Warm up**

1. How do you do to relax?
2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

### **Dig in**

3. What are the 3 spiritual pitfalls addressed in the Book of Revelation? Why do you think this letter classifies and speaks to churches rather than individuals?
4. What does it mean to spiritually forsake our first love like the Ephesian church, and what we do about it (Revelation 2:1-7)?
5. What does it mean for our faith to become sleepy like the church in Sardis, and what we do about it (Revelation 3:1-6)?
6. What does it mean for our faith to become lukewarm like the church in Laodicea, and what we do about it (Revelation 3:14-18)?
7. Why is complacency really about our sense of identity, rather than about trying harder, getting organized, or being more motivated? What do we need to reclaim in this area?

### **Digging deeper (extra credit!)**

8. Read Jesus' explanation of the Parable of the Sower (Mark 4:13-20). How does this passage speak to the same complacency issues raised in Revelation 2 and 3? How are the two approaches similar and different?
9. Read Mark 4:21-23. How do Jesus' very next words in Mark 4 provide yet another example for dealing with complacency? Talk about similarities (lamp, let them hear) and differences?



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**3 Spiritual Pitfalls:**

- 1—
- 2—
- 3—

**Ephesus Context:**

Forgetting your first Love (Revelation 2:1-7):

**Sardis Context:**

Sleepy Faith (Revelation 3:1-6):

**Laodicea Context:**

Lukewarm faith (Revelation 3:14-18):

**Complacency**

Remember \_\_\_\_\_ you are.