

Ephesus: First Things First
Revelation 2:1-7

- I. PICTURE: "The One who holds...walks" (v.1)**
 - A. Authority:** "holds the seven stars"
 - B. Availability:** "walks among the golden lampstands"
- II. PRAISE: "I know..." (vv.2-3, 6)**
 - A. Dutiful:** "deeds...toil...perseverance" (v.2a)
 - B. Watchful:** "evil men...test...false" (v.2b)
 - C. Faithful:** "perseverance...endured" (v.3)
 - D. Hateful:** "you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans" (v.6)
- III. PROBLEM: "I have this against you..." (v.4)**
 - A. Abandonment:** "that you have left"
 - B. Attachment:** "your first love"
- IV. PRESCRIPTION: "remember...repent...do" (v.5)**
 - A. Remember:** "from where you have fallen"
 - B. Repent:** "to change/the mind"
 - C. Repeat:** "do the deeds you did at first"
- V. PROMISE: "overcomes...tree of life" (v.7)**
 - A. Recognize:** "let him hear"
 - B. Regeneration:** "him who overcomes"
 - C. Restoration:** "I will grant to eat of the tree of life"