

## CG Study 2

### ***“YOU Talking To Me JESUS?”***

#### **Revelation 2:8-11**

1. Connecting Question: What was the most enjoyable part of your day today?
2. Video: Skit Guys God’s Chisel
3. Revelation 2:8-11
  - a. What does JESUS mean when He says in verse 9, “I know your...poverty (but you are rich).”
4. What have been some of the hardest times in your life?
5. What are the members of this church about to experience according to JESUS?
6. Romans 5:3-5. What is JESUS hoping to create in them?
7. Have you ever experienced personal growth because of something hard? If so, what?
8. Tribulation, poverty, slander, prison...these can hardly been seen as GOOD things and yet JESUS is going to allow it. How can this be good for His followers?

9. Trees In The Sheltered Biosphere:

Remember the biosphere 2? In short, it’s a miniature version of our planet, now owned by the university of Arizona, constructed for scientists to study how the planet’s living systems actually work. Learnings from this tiny planet enabled scientists to innovate and come up with new ideas related to growth of plants etc. Or that is what they thought when they planned to make this biosphere.

The major discovery from it was something they had never expected. The most interesting thing they learnt from it was the importance of wind in a plant’s life. Who’d have thought!

In the biosphere 2, they had trees growing faster than they would grow in the wild. Also, they found that these trees wouldn’t completely mature. Before they could, they used to collapse. Later it was found that this was caused by the lack of wind in the biosphere. And it turns out, wind plays a major role in a trees life. The presence of wind makes a tree stronger, it is thus able to mature and not fall down due to its own weight.

10. How does the idea of wind and tests play into our personal spiritual journey?
11. What is JESUS saying to YOU and US through the words He speaks to this church?