take time **6 December** **Revelation 2:12-29** read

http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%202:12-29&version=NKJV

Ears are there for hearing

study

Every one of the seven letters contains the phrase: "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." – When God speaks He expects us to listen. And not so that it goes into one ear and out the other, but giving Him our full attention.

In Pergamos, many false, satanic doctrines had found an entrance. But the believers keep hold of the faith (v13).

There may be works worth acknowledging in Thyatira (v19), but they allow a false prophetess in their midst, who deceives them so that they worship idols and to whom God announces judgment (vv20-23). The believers who are faithful to their Lord are encouraged by Him to persevere (vv24-29).

answer

9. Who was Antipas and what happened to him?
10. What will the overcomer in Pergamos receive?
11. The letter to Thyatira is the first one to mention an event (v25) which is from now on mentioned in every letter. Which one?

inform

The symbolic language of Revelation, part 4

- „Hidden Manna" = Christ, the bread from heaven, now „hidden" in heaven.
- „a white stone" – the personal recognition the Lord Jesus gives us.

think

Ask the Lord Jesus for strength to be faithful to Him, even when you are on your own.

God's Church History, part 2

Pergamos = the time since Emperor Constantine who made Christianity his state religion (4th to 6th century)

Thyatira = the church of the middle ages (7th to 15th century)

note down

9. Antipas was a faithful witness for his Lord. He was murdered because of it (v13). 10. The hidden manna, a white stone and a new name (v17). 11. The coming again of the Lord Jesus ("... till I come").