



REVELATION

STORY OF THE TRUE WITNESS

Church in Smyrna – Resurrection Hope

**Believers persevere by
remembering the resurrection.**

Revelation 2:8

⁸ “And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: ‘The words of the first and the last, who died and came to life.’

**⁹ “‘I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich) and the slander of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.
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**For this light momentary affliction is preparing
for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all
comparison.**

2 Corinthians 4:17

Resist him [devil], firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

1 Peter 5:9-10

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Please consider this question:

**How should the reality of
the resurrection change
you?**