

“You have left your first love”

Revelation 2:1-7

Why do I serve the Lord?

What are my motivations?

What one word describes my
purpose for serving God?

Praise of the Church v.1-3,6

God says, “I know your ...”

- ⦿ Works – good deeds
- ⦿ Labor – hard work, sacrifice
- ⦿ Patience – steadfastness, endurance
- ⦿ Cannot bear ... - Hatred for sin
- ⦿ Test the “apostles” - discerning
- ⦿ Perseverance – bear your cross

*“Church at Ephesus, you are doing
all the right things!”*

Problem in the Church v.4

Three aspects to one problem ...

- They moved away from God yet God never moved.
- They had forgotten God, but He had remembered them.
- They came to love something else more than God.

Prescription for the Church v.5

- Remembrance - Psalm 66:5-6, 77:11, 105:5
- Repentance – Psalm 51
- Return – Joel 2:12, Hosea 14:1, Acts 3:19
- Removal
 - Lack of Kingdom influence
 - Sending the wrong message