Staying the Course

Church #6

I. The destination of the letter (_____) (Rev 3:7a)
II. The description of Christ (Rev 3:7b)
   A. Holy – Jesus is without sin and _____ to judge our spiritual life
   B. True – Jesus is trustworthy and reliable in His _____ and _____
   C. Holds the key of David (Isa 22:22)
      1. Jesus has the power to open and close the _____ of God
      2. Jesus controls who _____ God's kingdom
III. Christ acknowledges their accomplishments (Rev 3:8)
   A. Open door – A divine opportunity for _____ that is protected by God
   B. You have little strength – Even with little strength they are still affective because they rely on God's _____ not their own
   C. You have kept my word
      1. They guarded and _____ the truth of God's Word
      2. Despite pressure, they never _____ from God's Word
   D. You have not denied my name
      1. They publicly shared the _____
      2. They publicly shared their _____ in God
VI. Christ's rebuke of Philadelphia
   (There is _____ rebuke)
VII. Christ's challenge to Philadelphia (Rev 3:10a)
   (Be _____ and _____ the course)
VIII. Christ's promises to those who remain faithful to the end (Rev 3:9-12)
   A. Your enemies will know that you are the _____ _____ of God (Rev 3:9)
      1. The _____ will be vindicated
      2. The unfaithful will _____ and _____ that God is at work in the faithful
   B. You will not be part of the _____ (Rev 3:10)
   C. Christ will return for the _____ (Rev. 3:11)
      1. It will be _____
      2. You need to _____ faithful and obedient
      3. You will be given the _____ crown (It is the _____ reward for the for those who finish the race - I Cor 9:24-26; II Tim 4:7-8)
D. You will have a permanent place in _____ (Rev. 3:12a)
E. Christ will _____ you as His _____ (Rev. 3:12b)

Questions to Ponder

I. What is a _____ church?
   A. It is not based on:
      1. Great programs (children's, youth, women's, etc.)
      2. A big budget
      3. A large congregation
      4. Singing Hymns or Choruses
      5. A great or terrible pastor
      6. A beautiful building
   B. Faithful churches:
      1. rely on God's _____ not their own
      2. _____ and teach the truth of God's Word
      3. _____ according to the truth of God's Word
      4. share the _____
      5. remain _____ to God and His Word until Christ returns despite _____
II. Is First Baptist Church a _____ Church?