

Small Group Discussion Guide

“The Church of Rich Poverty”

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Discussion Points

Louie said there are four levels at which persecution can apply in a society like ours where overt persecution seldom occurs. They are:

- **1. We can identify with the many Christians who are suffering around the world.**

Discuss how you and your group can identify and support fellow believers who suffer around the world, prayer being an example.

- **2. We can realize that such persecution could happen here in the near future and be ready for it.**

Do you have a mission, vision, and set of values in your life that could sustain you in the face of such suffering? Can you define what they are?

What other ways will help you be ready for the possibility of suffering and persecution for your faith?

- **3. We can ask ourselves how many compromises we have made in order to avoid any persecution at work or in secular society.**

Can you name the compromises you have made?

What motivates you to make those compromises?

What will help you become more courageous and loving?

- **4. And we can endure general trials that draw us away from the world and towards Christ.**

Please explain how you can grow in this regard.

Big Idea:

“How to endure persecution.”

Main Text:

Revelation 2:8-11