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"Ironically, the church was not deceived by false teachers from without (Rev 2:2), but was deceived by the failure of love within. The Ephesians successfully confronted one grave danger—false teaching—but had succumbed to another equally dead danger—lack of love. This is a lesson to all churches: Sound doctrine and fervent love both must be maintained and balanced." Alexander Strauch, "Love or Die," page 20