TO BUILD A FIRE "On Fire" Revelation 1:9-20

The reality is: LIFE CAN BE HARD! There are 3 things in this passage that keep the fire burning in our souls, keeping us from becoming cold and lifeless:

1) A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT (Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13)

2) A VISION OF JESUS (Revelation 1:12-16)

one like a son of man – a man, but different (see Daniel 7, 10)
long robe with golden sash – priestly garments
white hair – wisdom and respect
fiery eyes – penetrating scrutiny / sees and knows
bronze feet – stability/strength (contrast Daniel 2 – feet of iron mixed with clay)
voice like rushing waters – drowns out all else
seven stars in right hand – involvement, care, concern
sharp double-edged sword from mouth – words of truth that cut both ways (grace/justice)
face bright as the sun – unbelievable glory

Proverbs 29:18 – no prophetic vision → discouragement

3) A WORD OF HOPE (Revelation 1:17-20)

See also Daniel 10:10...