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PASSION FOR GOD

In this lesson you will learn how to determine if you have passion for God and how important it is. Philippians 1:21- “For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”

- What do you really live for?
 - You will live for what you love the most.
 - You’ll be passionate for what you love the most.
 - What are you passionate about? Some people are passionate about food, restaurants, sports, fashion, cooking, and many other things.
- Definition of passion.
 - Passion is an extreme, compelling emotion, intense emotional drive or excitement.
 - Another definition for passion is fervor, which is burning with zeal. Zeal is to love intensely.
 - Passion will have you go beyond your feelings and passion will drive a person.
 - Jeremiah 20:9 – “But His word was in my heart like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I was weary of holding it back, and I could not.”
 - The opposite of passion is casualness, lethargy, sluggishness, apathy, dull, and sleepy.
- What are you devoted to more than anything else?
 - What do you give yourself, your time, efforts, abilities, and finances to?
 - What do you arrange your schedule for?
 - What do you drive the distance to do?
 - What motivates you?
 - What would you invite others to come to do?
- How is your love life?
 - I John 4:16 – “God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.”
 - Acts 13:22 – David was a man after God’s own heart.
- Things that will keep you from passion for God.
A. Sin, strife, offense, wrong friends, and distractions.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Is there casualness, lethargy, sluggishness, apathy, or dullness in your life?
- What are you devoted to more than anything else?
- If you do not have a passion for God, what is causing it?

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

Pray and ask God to show you areas of your life that lack passion and ask Him to give you more passion for Him.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 1:21 – “For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”