

Divine Jealousy

2 Corinthians 11:1-15

- Divine jealousy demands UNDIVIDED DEVOTION to Jesus. 11:1-3
- Divine jealousy demands UNCORRUPTED THOUGHTS of Jesus. 11:3-4
- Divine jealousy demands INTOLERANCE towards false teachers about Jesus. 11:5-15
 - False teachers are skilled in PERSUASIVE SPEECH but do not provide clear knowledge. 11:6
 - False teachers are motivated by MONEY rather than the gospel. 11:7-9
 - False teachers seek to PLEASE people rather than LOVE people. 11:10-12
 - False teachers appear to be GOOD, but are DECEITFUL. 11:13-14
 - False teachers are serving SATAN, not God. 11:14-15a
 - False teachers will be JUDGED. 11:15b

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. **What's the difference between petty sinful jealousy and godly jealousy?** Can humans have jealousy that is godly and right, or can only God have that kind of jealousy? Is it difficult for you to think of God being jealous? Why or why not?
2. **How do we see God's jealousy in the following passages:** Exodus 20:5; Exodus 34:15; Deut 4:24; Numbers 25:11? How does the **picture of God's relationship with his people in these passages help explain this:** Isaiah 54:4-8, Isaiah 62:4-5, Hosea 2:19-20, Zeph 3:17, Ephesians 5:31-32?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 11:2-3. In your life, what are some things that can divide your devotion to Jesus? In the lives of people around you, what are some things that are dangers that may divide their devotion to Jesus? How can you help protect them? (see 1 John 2:15-17; James 4:4).
4. Read 2 Corinthians 11:3-4. How does Satan deceive us according to this passage? Look over Genesis 3:1-6. How did Satan tempt Eve, and how does he do the same thing today? What are the different areas where Satan twists truth mentioned in 2 Corinthians 11:4? In light of this, do you think theology is important? Why?
5. **What does it mean to be "intolerant of false teachers"?** How does being intolerant of false teachers relate to being faithful to Jesus? (see Jude 1:3; 1 Pet 3:15-16; Philippians 1:27-28; 2 John 1:7-11; Rom 16:17; 2 Thes 3:6; Titus 3:10; 1 Cor 5:11; Matt 18:15-17; Acts 17:11; 2 Cor 10:3-5)
6. Look over the list of characteristics of a false teacher, and read 2 Cor 11:13-15. What stands out to you? Why? Have you ever seen a false teacher mislead people? How did you respond? How can you respond rightly? Who would you say are some false teachers today we should be careful of? What are some sources of false teaching present in the media?
7. What is the main truth that impacted your life this week?
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