

Check Out These Resources on the Topic of Godly Desire

(Follow-up for further-study given to Holden Chapel Congregants on October 2nd, 2016)

A Few Scriptures on the Topic of Desire:

God commands us to feel:

- Matthew 5:12
- Matthew 18:35
- Romans 12:8, 10, 12, 15
- Philippians 4:4
- I Peter 1:17, 22
- Luke 12:5
- Romans 11:20
- I Peter 2:2
- Ephesians 4:32
- James 4:9

Emotions are good when utilized wisely:

- II Timothy 1:7, 2:12
- Acts 24:25
- I Corinthians 9:25
- 2 Peter 1:6
- Romans 12:3
- I Peter 4:7

God has divine passions:

- Isaiah 42:1, 61:8, 62:5
- Psalm 7:11; 33:5; 78:40, 41
- Psalm 95:10; 103:13; 115:3
- Jeremiah 9:24
- Matthew 3:17
- Zephaniah 3:17
- I Thessalonians 4:1
- Ephesians 1:5
- Philippians 4:18
- Genesis 6:5-6
- Judges 10:16
- Exodus 22:22-24; 33:19
- Ezekiel 6:9
- Ephesians 4:30
- Proverbs 6:16-19
- Isaiah 49:15-16
- Micah 7:18-20
- Hosea 11:8-9

A Few Good Books on the Topic of Desire:

Brian S. Borgman. Feelings and Faith: Cultivating Godly Emotions in the Christian Life. Crossway, 2009.

Jen Pollock Michel. Teach us to Want. Longing, Ambition & the Life of Faith. IVP, 2014.

James K.A. Smith. You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit. Brazos Press, 2016.

John C. Peckham. The Love of God: A Canonical Model. IVP Academic, 2015 (See especially Chapter 6 Titled, "The Emotional Aspect of God's Love").

Jonathan Edwards. A Treatise Concerning Religious Affections in Three Parts. <http://www.jonathan-edwards.org/ReligiousAffections.pdf>.

Tremper Longman. Reading the Bible with Heart and Mind. NavPress, 1997.

Dallas Willard. The Spirit of the Disciplines: Understanding How God Changes Lives. HarperOne, 1999.

A Few Good Messages and Websites to check out on the Topic of Desire:

Brian S. Borgman – Founding Pastor of Grace Community Church in Minden, Nevada. 20+ messages (each about 50 minutes long) in his sermon series on this topic. To access, go online to "sermonaudio.com" and search, "Biblical Emotions Brian S. Borgman".

Ravi Zacharias – Message Titled, "Why Don't I Feel My Faith". Type in to Google, "Why Don't I Feel My Faith Ravi Zacharias" and it will show up.

John Piper – Go to *desiringgod.org* and type "desire" in the search bar for hundreds of articles, books and sermons to listen to on this topic.

Go online to *thegospelcoalition.org* and type in, "desire" in the search bar for almost 10,000 resources on this topic (I especially liked Erik Raymond's "Jesus' Cross-Centered Emotions" article, published 6.3.08).