

Monday, 28 March 2016

Exodus 34:14

*(for you shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God),*

A well known TV personality declared several years ago that she could not worship a jealous god. As I have thought about that remark, I have become convinced that I cannot worship a God who is not jealous. The LORD, God the Almighty's passion for His creation is so intense that He cannot and will not brook any interference or competition. He loves me with a love that is perfect and infinitely beyond any other form of love.

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Tuesday, 29 March 2016

Deuteronomy 4:23-24

*Take care, lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make a carved image, the form of anything that the LORD your God has forbidden you. For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.*

Do I realize the danger that I place myself in if I worship a created object rather than the Creator? The Consuming Fire that is the LORD, God, the Almighty is a fire that makes all the thermonuclear furnaces of the universe as a birthday candle. I need to be careful, very, very careful about where I place my adoration.

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Wednesday, 30 March 2016

Nahum 1:2

*The LORD is a jealous and avenging God; the LORD is avenging and wrathful; the LORD takes vengeance on his adversaries and keeps wrath for his enemies.*

Hallelujah for the Cross of Christ stands between me and the jealous and avenging God. As the old Fanny Crosby hymn puts it:

**Safe in the Arms of Jesus  
Safe on His gentle Breast  
There by His Love o'er-shaded  
Sweetly my soul shall rest**

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Thursday, 31 March 2016

Zechariah 8:2

*"Thus says the LORD of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great wrath.*

However, that great wrath and jealousy stands between me and any outside influence that attempts to draw me away from Him. He is jealously possessive of all who have been entrusted to Him. Shouldn't He be? He paid a sacrifice beyond my imagination when He sent His only begotten Son to the Cross to atone for my sins.

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Friday, 1 April 2016

Deuteronomy 29:18-21

*Beware lest there be among you a man or woman or clan or tribe whose heart is turning away today from the LORD our God to go and serve the gods of those nations. Beware lest there be among you a root bearing poisonous and bitter fruit, one who, when he hears the words of this sworn covenant, blesses himself in his heart, saying, 'I shall be safe, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heart.' This will lead to the sweeping away of moist and dry alike. The LORD will not be willing to forgive him, but rather the anger of the LORD and his jealousy will smoke against that man, and the curses written in this book will settle upon him, and the LORD will blot out his name from under heaven. And the LORD will single him out from all the tribes of Israel for calamity, in accordance with all the curses of the covenant written in this Book of the Law.*

How much am I willing to risk his jealousy and wrath? I believe that I cannot lose my salvation, but...Do I really want to test the LORD, God the Almighty? NO! A thousand times NO! But I do! And I must be heartbroken. Even a momentary flash of anger calls for immediate repentance and a turning again to Him.

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Saturday, 2 April 2016

2 Corinthians 11:2-4

*For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ. For if someone comes and proclaims another Jesus than the one we*

*proclaimed, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or if you accept a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it readily enough.*

There is a divine jealousy; a jealousy fueled by love for an individual that I have nurtured and encouraged in their walk with the Lord but who has fallen way and accepted another gospel. I must, as Paul was, be fervent in prayer for my brother and his restoration.

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*Lord's Day, 3 April 2016*

*Psalm 119:105*

*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

Your Word tells me to seek You, Your Kingdom and Your righteousness first and all will fall into place. Brand this on my heart, Lord.

# *VOICES TOGETHER*

*Daily Meditations from the Scriptures*



*March 28-April 3, 2016*

I was dealing with a very difficult and perplexing problem in the spring of 1989 and tackling it by trying to learn everything I could on the subject. One evening, as I continued my studies, God told me very clearly that the root of the problem was that I did not know Him. I put down the book I was reading and picked up a Bible figuring that was where I was going to find Him. That began what has been a 27-year search to know, really know in a John 17:3 way, the LORD, God the Almighty.\*

Voices Together has and continues to be, a very important part of that search. It is extracted from my daily meditations and is shared in the hope that others will be encouraged to turn to the Scriptures as a rich source of guidance for prayer and meditation.

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\*LORD or LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.