

HIS NAME IS JEALOUS

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ACTS 17:28(NLTSE) For in Him we live and move and exist

- We are worse than a fish out of water, a plant out of the soil, a bird out of the sky, without God
- We can not flourish apart from God and without Him we are nothing

PSALM 39:5(NLTSE) You have made my life no longer than the width of my hand. My entire lifetime is just a moment to you, at best, each of us is but a breath.”

- Being alive without the unfolding of God’s purpose in our lives is just an existence and not life at all

DEUTERONOMY 30:2(NKJV) *for He is your life* and the length of your days

- God’s fervent jealousy for intimacy with us is so that we can live in His abundance

EXODUS 34:14(NLTSE) You must worship no other gods, for the LORD, *whose very name is Jealous*, is a God who is jealous about His relationship with you.

- The finished work of the cross is essential not only for salvation but also for our very existence
- Jesus had to die and regain for us the authority that satan had over us

MATTHEW 28:18(NLTSE) Jesus came and told his disciples, “ I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth

- When Jesus said go and make disciples, He wasn’t saying “go and do church” what He was essentially saying was “go and live, go and do life”

MATTHEW 28:19-20(NLTSE) “ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

- The great commission of Matthew 28:18-20, is not an instruction to “church people” or those religiously inclined. It is a commission fundamental to life itself for every human being
- No matter how amazing a life we end up living in this time (and if we do, it’s a major blessing), we must never forget that this life is not the end all and be all of everything. The Kingdom of God is

1 CORINTHIANS 2:9(NLTSE) That is what the Scriptures mean when they say, “ No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him.”

1 CORINTHIANS 13:12(NLTSE) Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely.

- All of God’s jealousy is so that we can experience all of Him and all of His Kingdom

CARE GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Why do people experience jealousy towards others? Discuss some of the root causes for this emotion.
2. Why is God jealous over us and how does His jealousy differ from ours?(**EXODUS 34:14**
3. What interests are there in your life, that could cause God to be jealous over you and how will

you change this?