

Fire!

A Bible study about having The Fire of GOD

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Notice:

Because these are my personal notes on the Fire of God, many things are very condensed, and many things are not self-explanatory, being without explanations. If you would like any part of this bible study explained or clarified please feel free to [contact me](#).

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PART 1 – GET GOD’S FIRE

1. What is ‘having the Fire of God?’

The BIG Picture

A. What do you think the Fire of God is?

B. Having the Fire of GOD is being deeply and completely zealous, passionate, desperate, hungry, and fervent for JESUS by the power of the HOLY SPIRIT.

C. True spiritual Fire is a chemical reaction of 1. GOD’S touch on a person’s life and 2. their reaction/dedication to it

D. Having the Fire of GOD necessitates continually and repeatedly stirring up zeal for GOD

E. Having the Fire of GOD means giving the only reasonable response to the extreme call to give everything.

F. What is Fire, what is it about, what does it look like, and why is it important?

-It’s not just emo

-Let me wet you appetite...

-It’s about being **jealous** for God (zeal for house)

-Getting a hold of that **passion** in life that we were all made for

-What’s it look Like? **Enthusiastic**, but different and better
“enthusiastic” [en thu siastic: meaning, “God-possessed.”]

-Having God’s Fire suggests that you are being **consumed** (Rom 12:1; Mk 9:49-50)

Having God’s Fire means being consumed for Jesus

God’s Fire answers the demand for zeal for the infinite God

The Detailed Picture in Languages

Hebrew, Greek, Spanish, and Latin are all alike: jealous/zealous = same word (unlike English):

Hebrew: “**זָהַר**” (*qâna’*) ^{G2205}

Greek: “**ζήλος**” (*zēlos*); ^{G2205} (often: ζήλω);

Spanish: “Selo” (SRV);

Latin: “zelo” (Latin Vulgate)

2. GOD is Fire

Having The Fire of GOD becomes significantly more important when we see what GOD is like

A. Consuming Fire

Deu 4:24 KJV-Based For the LORD your God *is* a consuming fire, a jealous God.

Heb 12:29 KJV For our God *is* a consuming fire.

Isa 42:13 Brenton The Lord God of hosts shall go forth, and crush the war: he shall stir up jealousy [LXX: ζῆλον (*zahlon*) - **zeal**], and shall shout mightily against his enemies.

Eze 36:5 Brenton therefore, thus saith the Lord; Verily **in the fire of my wrath** have I spoken...

B. Light

1Jo 1:5 KJV ...God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Jam 1:17 KJV/WEB Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom can be no variation, nor turning shadow.

Isa 42:6 WEB I, Yahweh.... give you for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles...

Question: Where do you think that the light comes from? –We’ll come back to this...

C. Abrahamic Covenant

Gen 15:17-18 KJV And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a **burning lamp** that passed between those pieces. **18** In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram...

[Animal parts, covenant: Jer 34:18-19]

D. Burning Bush

Exo 3:2 KJV And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed. (Also see: Angels ministering spirits/fire Heb 1:7; Rev 10:1)

E. Mt. Sinai (Mosaic Covenant)

Exo 19:18 KJV And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

Exo 24:17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD *was* like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

F. “Pillar of Fire”

4 Places: Exo 3:21-22; Exo 14:24; Num 14:14; Neh 9:12; Neh 9:19

G. Holy Spirit / Jesus’ Eyes of Fire

Rev 4:5 KJV And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Rev 1:12-16 KJV-Based And I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; **13** And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. **14** His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; **15** And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. **16** And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shinning in his strength.

(Also in: Rev 2:18; Rev 19:12. JESUS the same as yesterday & forever: Heb 13:8)

H. More “God = Fire” verses:

2Sam 22:9; 2Ch 7:1-3; Rev 20:9

Transition...

I. God likes things to be HOT

Rev 15:2 Sea of glass mixed with fire

Rev 3:15-16 WEB "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were cold or hot. **16** So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will vomit you out of my mouth.

J. We Should be like Him

Not only is He fire, and not only does He like fire, but He wants us to be like Him in fire

1Jn 4:17 NKJV Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness ↓ on the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. (Conversely: 1Jn 3:2-3) ↓

3. We must have God's Fire

Salt, Light, City, Lamp

Mat 5:13-16 Salt... You are the **light** of the world, **city, lamp** (all light was made by fire!!) ↓
(“Salt” necessitates “Fire”: Lev 2:2-16, Ezk 43:24, Mar 9:49-50. Also **Read Luk 4:33-35**)

John the Baptist!

Joh 5:35 WEB

He was the burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.

Filled with Holy Spirit

Act 2:3-4 MKJV-Based And tongues as of fire appeared to them, being distributed; and it sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled of the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Zeal

Psa 69:9 WEB For the zeal of your house consumes me. The reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me. [see: **Psa 69:7-12**]

After driving out the money changers:

[Joh 2:17 CAB](#) Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "The zeal for Your house will consume Me."

See: [Jesus Got Angry](#)

Fervent in Spirit

[Rom 12:11](#) not lacking in eager/diligent/business; **fervent** in spirit; serving the Lord;

Always Zealous/Right Zeal

[Gal 4:18](#)

Remember Phinehas [Num 25:5-13](#),
Others: [1King 19:10](#), [Pro 23:17](#), [Tit 2:14](#)

Call on God!

[Isa 64:7 CAB](#) And there is none that calls upon Your name, or that remembers to take hold of You...



Awake and Shake ↓↓

[Isa 52:1-2 WEB](#) Awake, awake, put on your strength, Zion; put on your beautiful garments... **2** Shake yourself from the dust; arise, sit *on your throne*, Jerusalem: loose yourself from the bonds of your neck, captive daughter of Zion.

(Also: Samson [Jdg 16:20](#).)

Fire Makes or Breaks You

[Mar 9:49-50 WEB](#) For everyone will be salted with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt. **50** Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, with what will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

(and compare previously: [Mar 9:41-48](#) - Gehenna Fire)

So God's Fire Means...

> Either get jealous for God, or get jealously consumed by God!

> Purification or Punishment... It will Make you or Break you

See: [What it did to Edom](#)

See: [God's Jealousy Makes Hell](#) ([Deu 32:9-23](#))

Ax, Holy Spirit, Fire!, Purification

[Mat 3:10-12 MKJV](#) And now also, the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bring forth good fruit is cut down and cast into the fire. **11** I indeed baptize you with water to repentance. But He who comes after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He shall baptize you with *the* Holy Spirit and *with* fire; **12** whose fan *is* in His hand, and He will cleanse His floor and gather His wheat into the storehouse; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

(Also [Luk 3:16-17](#))

Trials That Purify

[1Pe 1:7 KJV](#) That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Division

Luk 12:49-53 WEB "**I came to throw fire on the earth.** I wish it were already kindled. 50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! 51 Do you think that I have come to give peace in the earth? I tell you, no, but rather division. 52 For from now on, there will be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. 53 They will be divided, father against son, and son against father; mother against daughter, and daughter against her mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

4. Examples of Fire

Phinehas

Num 25:10-13 CAB And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 11 **Phinehas** the son of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest has caused My wrath^{H2534/G2372} to cease from the children of Israel, when I was exceedingly jealous^{H7065} [ζηλωσαι^{G2206} / ζηλον^{G2205}] among them*, and I did not consume the children of Israel in My jealousy^{H7068} [ζηλω^{G2205}]. 12 Therefore say, Behold, I give to him My covenant of peace^{H7965} [ειρηνης^{G1515}], as in peacemaker: Mat 5:9-12: ειρηνοποι^{G1518}]; 13 and he and his seed after him shall have a perpetual covenant of priesthood, because he was zealous^{H7065/G2206} for his God, and made atonement for the children of Israel.

*Greek: ζηλωσαι^{G2206} μου τον ζηλον^{G2205} εν αυτοις

Hebrew: Same Hebrew word used for jealousy! (Examples: Gen 30:1; Num 5:14 & Num 5:30)

Psa 106:30-31 CAB 30 Then Phinehas stood up and made atonement, and the plague ceased. 31 And it was counted to him for righteousness, to all generations forever.

(Also compare the actions of Nehemiah: [Neh 13:23-25](#))

John the Baptist

Mar 1:2-6 WEB As it is written in the prophets, "Behold, I send my messenger before your face... 3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness... 4 John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching the baptism of repentance for forgiveness of sins. 5 All the country of Judea and all those of Jerusalem went out to him... 6 John was clothed with camel's hair and a leather belt around his loins. He ate locusts and wild honey.

Joh 5:35 WEB [About John the Baptist...] ↓↓

He was the burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.

Jeremiah

See [Jeremiah](#)'s persecution below

Road to Emmaus

Luk 24:31-32 KJV And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. 32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

Paul & Epaphras - Zealous/Jealous for the Body of Christ

[2Co 11:2 KJV](#) For I am **jealous**²²⁰⁶ [zealous] over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ.

Fervent Prayer

[Col 4:12-13 KJV](#) Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God. **13** For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them *that are* in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.

(compare earlier in chapter 4: [Col 4:6](#) - From Favor to Fire)

The Apostle John

(Remember? [Rev 1:12-16](#))

Kamikazes For Jesus

Kamikazes always produce fire! (911)

But for us...

“...the **weapons** of **our** warfare *are* not fleshly, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds, ([2Co 10:4 MKJV](#)).”

And there is a right and a wrong way to burn...

Let's compare Kamikazes with getting angry... *Did Jesus ever Get Angry?*

Jesus' Anger Foreshadowed in the Psalms

[Psa 69:7-12 CAB](#) For I have suffered reproach for Your sake; shame has covered my face. **8** I became strange to my brethren, and a stranger to my mother's children. **9 For the zeal of Your house has eaten me up**; and **the reproaches of them that reproached You have fallen upon me**. **10** And I bowed down my soul with fasting, and that was made my reproach. **11** And I put on sackcloth for my covering; and I became a proverb to them. **12** Those that sit in the gate talked against me, and those that drank wine sang against me.

Repeated in Psalm 119

I had to correct this translation from the Greek [LXX](#):

[Psa 119:139 CAB](#) ~~Your~~ [the] zeal [[ζήλος](#)^{G2205}] [for your house]* has quite wasted me; because my enemies have forgotten Your words.

[* “ὁ ζήλος τοῦ οἴκου σου” – same as [Psa.69:9](#)]

This Means Jesus Got Angry

[Joh 2:14-15 CAB](#) And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers sitting there. **15** And having made a scourge out [[ἐκ](#)] of cords, He drove* [[ἐξέβαλεν](#) (*exe-ballen*) – lit. threw out (fig. drove)] them all out [[ἐκ](#)] of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and He poured out [[ἐξέχεε](#)] the coins of the moneychangers, and He overturned the tables.

* “Cast Out” Analysis

This “Cast out” word is extremely stoked with connotations beyond even the provocative astonishment its literal (actual) rendering causes:

- It may be somewhat spiritual (and or “so-to-speak”) as in: Mar_1:12; Mat_9:25; Gal_4:30; Mat_9:38; Luk_10:2; Jam_2:25; Luk_6:22; Mat_12:20; (from Isa_42:3); Mat_12:35; Luk_10:35
- It can even be a kind act (i.e. when the “exit” (εξ) is shared (εξαγει/εμπροσθεν) with the “caster” Himself): Joh_10:3-4
- Or it could be literal and or figurative at the same time, as in: Joh_9:34-35; Act_16:37; 3Jo_1:10 (stronger literal in this case); (compare Mar_9:47)
- But it may very well be literal as in “**He overturned the tables**”;
- this is very powerfully seen in the following examples where this word is used: as in Mar_1:12
- Particle out of eye: Mat_7:4-5; Luk_6:42
- Demons: Mar_16:9; Mar_7:26; Mat_7:22; Mar_1:34, Mar_1:39; Luk_9:40

Mar 11:16-17 CAB And [He] would not permit that anyone should carry a vessel through the temple. 17 And He was teaching, saying to them, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a 'den of thieves!' " [also in Mat21:13]

Joh 2:16-17 CAB And He said to those selling the doves, "Take these things away from here! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" 17 Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "The zeal for Your house will consume Me."

Jesus Got Angry Over Their Unwillingness for Him to Heal

Mar 3:4-5 CAB Then He said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they kept silent. 5 And looking around at them with **anger** [οργης G3709], being grieved at the hardness of their hearts, He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he stretched it out, and his hand was restored as whole as the other.

G3709 ὀργή *orgē or-gay'*

From G3713; properly *desire* (as a *reaching* forth or *excitement* of the mind), that is, (by analogy) violent *passion* (*ire*, or [justifiable] *abhorrence*); by implication *punishment*: - anger, indignation, vengeance, wrath.

Summary of Anger

- Jesus flips over the tables, (Joh_2:14-17; Mar_11:16-17) and gets mad over unwillingness to approve of healing on the Sabbath (Mar_3:1-5). We should be like this too.
- In all of this remember: be angry, and don't sin: Eph_4:26 [Moses struck the rock (Num_20:7-13)]
- **Right anger is a critical sign of Biblical zeal.** (Compare: Luk_6:22, Luk_6:26)
- **Also See:** Paul's anger over idols (Act_17:16 – G3947 *παροξύνω*)

Elkanah

A Hebrew name “Elkanah = “God has possessed” or “God has created”” (BDB)

אלקנה from H410 [El] and H7069 [Kanah]

H7069 קנה *qânâh kaw-naw'*

A primitive root; to *erect*, that is, *create*; by extension to *procure*, especially by purchase (causatively *sell*); by implication to *own*: - attain, buy (-er), teach to keep cattle, get, provoke to jealousy, possess (-or), purchase, recover, redeem, X surely, X verily.

Wasted Without Fire

If you do not yet have the Fire of God, If you have been settling for less, then the sad news is that you've been duped to giving your life away to worthlessness. But the good news is, you don't have to stay that way!

Is what your living for worth dying for? If not, then it's not worth living for either.

Guard against getting wiser than your youthful zeal. Any "wisdom" that casts scorn on more zealous beginnings is a purest form of utter foolishness.

5. The Salvation of Fire

Test Your Salvation in General

--from "Fear God" in the "Repent of Words" Bible study--

2Co 13:5 WEB Test your own selves, whether you are in the faith. Test your own selves. Or don't you know as to your own selves, that Jesus Christ is in you? -- unless indeed you are disqualified ^{G96}. [αδοκιμοι ^{G96} (*adokimos*) – that is, "not" (*a*) "aproved" (*dokimos*)]

✓ Don't be too offended and proud than to examine your Salvation!

✓ He's not asking you to do anything that he's not willing to do himself (Compare [Gal 2:2](#); [2Jn 1:8-9](#))

1Co 9:27 WEB but I beat my body and bring it into submission, lest by any means, after I have preached to others, I myself should be rejected ^{G96}. [αδοκιμος ^{G96} (*adokimos*) – that is, "not" (*a*) "aproved" (*dokimos*)]

So how Does "Testing" Relate to FIRE?

Rev 3:14-20 EMTV "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write, 'These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the beginning of the creation of God: **15** "I know your works, that you are **neither cold nor hot**. I wish *that* you were cold or hot. **16** Therefore, since you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, **I will spew you out of My mouth**. **17** Because you say, '**I am wealthy**, and have become rich, and have need of nothing'--and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, **blind**, and naked, **18** I counsel you to buy from Me gold having been tried by fire, so that you may become rich; and white robes, so that you may be clothed, and the shame of your nakedness may not appear; and eye salve, so that you may anoint your eyes, in order that you may see. **19** As many as I love, I rebuke and discipline. **Be zealous therefore, and repent**. **20** Behold, I stand at the door and I am knocking. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, then I will come in to him and I will dine with him, and he with Me.

[Entire context: [Rev 3:14-22](#)]

They are not Zealous

[Rev 3:15](#) - works not hot or cold

[Rev 3:16](#) - lukewarm = spit out

[Rev 3:19](#) - be zealous [*“ζηλωσον”* (*zēleue*); Greek: Imperative ^{V-AAM-2S or V-PAM-2S}] & repent

Why are they not zealous?

[Rev 3:17](#) - they say they are rich: but they are **blind**!

([Rev 3:18](#) - how to see)

Other Repentance References

Rev 2:4-5, Rev 2:16, Rev 2:22; Rev 3:3; Rev 9:20-21; Rev 16:9; Rev 16:11

Act 17:30-31 - everyone should repent

Mat 24:48-51 / Luk 12:45-46 - lack of zeal makes one sin

The Extreme Devotion of Fire

Luk 14:25-27 WEB Now great multitudes were going with him. He turned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to me, and doesn't hate his own father, mother, wife, children, brothers, and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he can't be my disciple. 27 Whoever doesn't bear his own cross, and come after me, can't be my disciple.

READ Verses 28-32

Luk 14:33-35 MKJV So then, **everyone of you who does not forsake all his possessions, he cannot be My disciple.** 34 Salt is good, but if the salt has become tasteless, with what shall it be seasoned? 35 It is not fit for the land, nor for manure, but men throw it out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear. -Read: Mat 10:31-39-

Mat 10:37-39 WEB He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me isn't worthy of me. 38 He who doesn't take his cross and follow after me, isn't worthy of me. 39 He who finds his life will lose it; and he who loses his life for my sake will find it.

Jesus Doesn't Jive With Quick Shallow Commitments

Mat 8:19-23 WEB A scribe came, and said to him, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go." 20 Jesus said to him, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." 21 Another of his disciples said to him, "Lord, allow me first to go and bury my father." 22 But Jesus said to him, "Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead." 23 When he got into a boat, his disciples followed him.

Eat flesh drink blood, Joh 6:1 (ect)

Remnant Mentality

Rom 9:27 WEB Isaiah **cries** concerning Israel, "If the number of the children of Israel are as the sand of the sea, It is the remnant who will be saved; [See Isa 10:22]

Remember He says later:

Isa 64:7 WEB There is none who calls on your name, who **stirs up himself** to take hold of you

[The remnant is specifically mentioned 16 times as a theme throughout Isaiah. Do you see that the remnant is the few who stir themselves up?]

Rom 11:5 WEB Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

2Th 2:3 WEB Let no one deceive you in any way. For it will not be, unless the departure comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of destruction,

1Ti 4:1-2 WEB But the Spirit says expressly that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to seducing spirits and doctrines of demons, **2** through the hypocrisy of men who speak lies, branded in their own conscience as with a hot iron;

Mat 24:12 WEB Because iniquity will be multiplied, the love²⁶ [αγαπη] of many^{G4183} [πολλων; the greater part] will grow cold.

6. Summary of this Salvation

Fundamental Call

Fire is the basic fundamental call to follow Jesus
Basic Call to discipleship, the only way to not be “spit out”

The Wrong Question

So many ask the wrong question: “Are you saved?” “Are you Born Again?”
When we should be asking, “Are you completely burning hot for Jesus?”

Be Ready

Be ready, or get cut into pieces (Mat_24:40-51)

Only Option

Fire is not optional. It’s not just something cute that youth groups get pumped up about.

Going extreme for Jesus is the only way to live

Few answer this call... Few will Make it!

Luk_13:23-24 WEB; also think Joh_12:39 “Could not believe...”

[repeat]

Isa 52:1-2 WEB Awake, awake, put on your strength, Zion; put on your beautiful garments... **2** Shake yourself from the dust; arise, sit *on your throne*, Jerusalem: loose yourself from the bonds of your neck, captive daughter of Zion.
(Also: Samson Jdg 16:20.)

7. Enemies of Fire

A. Examples:

Laziness... Complacency...

B. TV

Don't expect GOD to give you that truly adventurous life of his fire if you are still filling Your mind and desires with its counterfeit portrayed on TV!

“we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against spirits and powers and...” (Eph 6:12)

C. Lack of Love for Holiness

Heb 12:14 ISV “Pursue peace with everyone, as well as **holiness**, without which no one will see the Lord.”

(Similar to Principal: “The HOLY SPIRIT never makes light of sin.”)

Don't think that you are going to get the real **fire** from GOD without holiness;
You won't even see Him

8. Fake, Strange Fire

Lev 10:1-3 WEB Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer, and put **fire** in it, and laid incense on it, and offered **strange fire** before Yahweh, which he had not commanded them. 2 And fire came forth from before Yahweh, and devoured them, and they died before Yahweh. 3 Then Moses said to Aaron, "This is what Yahweh spoke of, saying, "I will show myself holy to those who come near me, And before all the people I will be glorified." Aaron held his peace.

A. Self/Demon-generated

Often burns solely off of **emotions**, **not** the **reality** of or **obedience** to GOD. • Often puts value on your **loud personality** instead of the depth of True fire.

B. Doesn't last

(“they look like they are on fire!” –But they soon “burn out”)

Mat 13:5-6 Some fell on **rocky places**, where it did not have much soil. It **sprang up quickly**, because the soil was **shallow**. 6 But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had **no root**. [Not **remaining** fruit: Jn 15:16]

C. It allows Sin

When someone is “**On Fire!**” and they have **sin** in their life, then it is the **fake defiling fire** based on sinful man. Unredeemed emotions quickly and easily counterfeit GOD'S **Holy** SPIRIT, in an unholy way.

D. Loud people,

especially **former drug addicts/street people** are much more prone to it

9. Repent Of Zeal

Summaries of Huge Passages

1Co 13:4 - Love is not zealous?? Now what does that mean?

> 1Co 14:1 – “be zealous”: so how is love to be zealous and not be zealous?

1Co 3:3 – Where there is zeal (ζηλος^{G2205}) among you = fleshly (2Co 12:20)

Gal 5:20 – Works of the Flesh (ζήλοι, θυμοί,)

Jam 3:14-16 - Bad Zeal is, selfish, soulish, demonic

Jas 4:1-2 - Lust makes bad zeal: "ἐπιθυμεῖτε" (v. 2a) > "ζηλοῦτε" (v. 2c)

Jas 4:5 - God's Passion (ἐπιποθεῖ^{G1971}) vs. your zeal:

See: Heb_10:27; Zep_1:18; Zep_3:8;

Rom 10:1-3 - Israel's Zeal (and see Saul's: Phi 3:6)

2Sa 21:1-11 – Saul’s Punished, wicked, Counterfeited Zeal

Gal 4:17-18 - Zealously affected in Good thing (Mat 23:15)

Rom 16:18; Phi 2:21; - Religion of own belly (Luk 14:25)

“Zeal” – Used as (bad) Jealousy

Act 5:17; Act 13:45; Rom 13:13; Gal 5:20; Gal 5:20

Warning Examples Of bad Zeal

Gen 4:1-16 - Cane Murders Abel

Especially:

Gen 4:4-7 - Offering (Heb 11:4 - by faith)

Gen 4:8-12 - Murder

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1Jn 3:12 - ...and why did he slay his brother? (unrepentant zeal for personal religious works)

Mal 2:11-13 - Profaned holiness of the Lord... (He Love you, and His holiness, but you like a prostitute profane His holiness as my relitve did to their brother, to polute their kindness unto you)

Be Warned!

If you are zealous for your own things, you will always rage against the truth and anyone who ever seems to represent it.

(Luk 6:11; 2Ki 19:27-28)

Do not zealous (Jealous, envying) to preserve yourself against people (1Co 13:4) or truth (Jam 3:14).

Repenting of zeal may make more sense if we look at the application of the word "Passion":

Good And Bad Passion

Luk 22:15 – Pain linked to Passover: “πασχα^{G3957},”/ “παθειν^{G3958},”

Uses: ἐπιθυμία = desire/lust

Act 1:3 – “παθειν^{G3958},” translated as the word “passion” (KJV)

1Th 4:5 – “πάθει” - Passions... of lust; (compare: Rom 1:26; Col 3:5)

Uses: ἐπιθυμία = desire/lust

Same word used for sorrow...

Job 30:31; Pro 25:20

And especially see how it is used here!:

2Co 7:7-12 - "ἐπιπόθησιν"^{G1972} (2Co 7:7; 2Co 7:11)

(Compare: Jas 4:1-2, -above-)

Etymology: G1972 < G1971: ἐπί + ποθέω

Good Zeal

2Co 11:2-4 - Godly zeal

Col 4:6 - From Favor to Fire (Col 4:12-13)

Mar 9:49-50 - Fellowship of Fire (REAL Love and Peace!)

Summaries

Pain = Passion > Desire (Lust) > Zeal (Jealousy/ Envy) > Fire of God (brought by Grace Col 4:6) or Fire of Hell (Brought by sin Deu 32:9-23; Heb 10:27)

If you have Proper Passion, it Produces Powerful Pursuit; But Poisoned and Polluted Passion Produces Permanent Perdition

10. True Fire

A. It burns bugs (Exo 3:2)

B. Jeremiah's Fire/Zeal

Depressed...

1Ki 19:4 WEB But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die, and said, It is enough; now, O Yahweh, take away my life...

But still Truly Zealous...

1Ki 19:14 KJV And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

(Zealous, but obviously not based on Emotion)

C. It is deep and It remains: Joh 15:16

PART 2 – FIRE & SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING

1. The Proper Use Of Emotion

A. David Had Emotion In Worship

2Sa 6:14-16 KJV And David danced before the LORD with all *his* might; and David *was* girded with a linen ephod. 15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. 16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

B. A Man After God's Own heart

...he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill all my will, (Act 13:22 KJV; Also see: 1Sam 13:14; 1Ki 15:3, 1Ki 15:5).

C. So what do you think God is like??

--We see him in David--

Zep 3:17 KJV+ The LORD³⁰⁶⁸ thy God⁴³⁰ in the midst⁷¹³⁰ of thee *is* mighty;¹³⁶⁸ he will save,³⁴⁶⁷ he will rejoice⁷⁷⁹⁷ over⁵⁹²¹ thee with joy;⁸⁰⁵⁷ he will rest²⁷⁹⁰ in his love,¹⁶⁰ he will joy¹⁵²³ over⁵⁹²¹ thee with singing.⁷⁴⁴⁰

“joy¹⁵²³,” H1523 גוּל גִּיל gîyl gûl *gheel, gool*

A primitive root; properly **to spin around** (under the influence of any violent emotion), that is, usually *rejoice*, or (as *cringing*) *fear*: - be glad, joy, be joyful, rejoice.

“singing.⁷⁴⁴⁰,” H7440 רִנָּה rinnâh *rin-naw'*

From H7442; properly a *creaking* (or **shrill sound**), that is, **shout** (of joy or grief): - cry, gladness, joy, proclamation, **rejoicing**, **shouting**, **sing** (-ing), **triumph**.

D. And what did He command for us to do?

Mat 5:11-12 / Luk 6:22-23 – Rejoice in the face of persecution

If we rejoice in the face of evil, how much more should we in the presence of God?

Hebrew & Greek Words for Rejoicing:

Hebrew:

“H5970 אֵלַט *âlats aw-lats'*

A primitive root; to **jump for joy**, that is, *exult*: - be joyful, rejoice, triumph.” (Strong’s)

Used in 8 places: 1Sa 2:1; 1Ch 16:32; Psa 5:11; Psa 9:2; Psa 25:2; Psa 68:3; Pro 11:10; Pro 28:12;

Greek:

“G21 ἀγαλλιάω *agalliaō ag-al-lee-ah'-o*

From ἄγαν *agan* (*much*) and G242; properly to **jump for joy**, that is, *exult*: - be (exceeding) glad, with exceeding joy,

rejoice (greatly).” (Strong’s)

“To exult, leap for joy, to show one’s joy by leaping and skipping denoting excessive or ecstatic joy and delight... Often spoken of rejoicing with song and dance (Sept.: [Psa 2:11](#); [Psa 20:5](#); [Psa 40:16](#); [Psa 68:3](#)).” (Word Study)

“**G4640** σκίρτάω skirtaō *skeer-tah’-o*

Akin to [σκαίρω](#) skairō (to *skip*); to *jump*, that is, sympathetically *move* (as the *quickening* of a fetus): - leap (for joy).” (Strong’s)

Used as a reference to how to rejoice in Luk 6:23

[Psa 5:11 CAB](#) But let all that trust in You be glad^{H8055 / G2165} in You: they shall rejoice^{H7442 / G21*} forever, and You shall dwell among them; and all that love Your name shall rejoice^{H5970 / G2744} in You.

[*Psa 5:11: “αγαλλιασονται” - not so directly marked in Strong’s, but almost exactly the same as “αγαλλιασθε^{G21*}” in Mat 5:12]

E. Self Control!

Think: “Spirits of prophets are subject” (1Co 14:32)

-If their spirit is subject, how much more their emotions!

-Emotions are fundamentally different than spirit, so make the distinction!

-“I just want to be lead by the spirit...” [Then have self control]; But we make ‘being lead’ out to mean: ‘I just want to be jerked about by my emotions.’ - If you are looking to be jerked around, you open your self to other spirits that will tickle your emotions. The devil will gladly give you an experience if that’s what will get you to take on a counterfeit “~~holy~~ spirit”.

2. Two Goodly Fires

• There is fire by choice, but there is also fire by **Revelation!**

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A. Two Well-established, Conversing Principals:

[Rom 9:16 WEB](#) So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who has mercy.

[Heb 11:6 MKJV](#) But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek¹⁵⁶⁷ Him.

↓ **Hebrews Tangent About “Seeking”** ↓

Seek¹⁵⁶⁷ ἐκζητέω ekzēteō *ek-zay-teh’-o*

From G1537 and G2212; to *search out*, that is, (figuratively) *investigate, crave, demand*, (by Hebraism) *worship*: - en- (re-) quire, seek after (carefully, diligently). (Strong’s)

⇒ **2Ch 7:14 KJV** If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and **pray, and seek my face**, and turn from their wicked ways... (Also: Zac 8:21-22) (This is important because these two principals reflect the Two types, or “aspects”, of true fire)

So What does this mean?

So anyone can seek God and find Him, but in the end no one can do anything unless God has mercy on the work of His hands, and causes it to happen upon His helpless creation.

Both of these realities are gloriously displayed in the Allegory and representative symbols of **the Two Altars**:

The Tabernacle

B. Two Altars

The First Altar is Sacrificial, (AKA: “The Brazen Altar”). Sacrifice is your choice, it is practically self-initiated, (though it is still a sweat smell to the LORD: Gen 8:21, Lev 1:9..., ***Eph 5:2**, Phil 4:18).

Psa 116:17 WEB I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call on the name of Yahweh.

(Also: Amo 4:5, “of praise”: Jer 33:11, Heb 13:5,)

The Second Altar is the altar of incense, where GOD has his angels add incense to our prayers, and they ascend before Him; The incense is an addition of **Grace**. In this fire we are GOD-initiated and closest to GOD. Without such from the LORD we are ultimately left to our own resources, especially when it comes to *fire*.

- The "fire on the altar" before the Lord is not the *sacrificial altar*, but the *altar of incense and prayer*.

Rev 8:3-5 KJV And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. **4** And the smoke of the incense, *which came* with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand. **5** And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar...

The Example of Jeremiah

Think: all of the Prophets

Jer 20:7-9 WEB Yahweh, you have persuaded me, and I was persuaded; you are stronger than I, and have prevailed: I am become a laughing-stock all the day, every one mocks me. **8** For as often as I speak, I cry out; I cry, Violence and destruction! because the word of Yahweh is made a reproach to me, and a derision, all the day. **9** If I say, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name, then there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with forbearing, and I can't *contain*.

⇓ (Sounds like) ⇓

Psa 69:9 WEB For the zeal of your house consumes me. The reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me. [see: [Psa 69:7-12](#)]

The Example of Isaiah

Isa 6:1-7 (KJV-Based) In the year that king Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. **2** Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. **3** And one cried unto the other, and said, "Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: the whole earth *is* full of his glory." **4** And the posts of the door shook at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. **5** Then said I, "Woe *is* me! for I am undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts." **6** Then one of the seraphim flew unto me, having a live coal in his hand, *which* he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: **7** And he laid *it* upon my mouth, and said, "Look, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away, and your sin purged."

The Example of The Apostle John

The fire that he saw in JESUS' eyes stayed with him!
(Remember? [Rev 1:12-16](#))

Remember the Road to Emmaus?

[Luk 24:31-32](#)

This (alter) leads to revelation/ open eyes

D. A Comparison of the two altars

Can't completely separate the two, but...

The first altar is bronze, but the second is gold, indicating the second is superior, just as revelation from God is to our choice to pursue Him.

Important Saying: There is nothing like sacrifice to catapult you into the fire of GOD, and even less is there anything that will completely consume, captivate, amaze, overtake, and push you over the edge into the fire of God like **Revelation!**

3. General Admonitions & Summations

A. Don't get caught up and distracted by the glamour of being "On Fire"

If you do then you will never get it. [You've got to have truth, and it has to remain]. -I'm **NOT** saying, "Don't get pumped up"

B. It comes best by experiences! (Why do you think that [the prophets](#) are so zealous??)

[Because they have seen things from God!]

C. The priest will not start a fire on the altar until you first bring a sacrifice

D. The only way to do this is to [pray](#)! Many come to youth group wanting the glamour, but aren't willing to pay the price. (Remember the 'Fervent + Effective prayer' of [Jas_5:16](#))

4. More Scriptures/ Extra Thoughts

Israel Consume Esau

Oba 1:17-18 KJV But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be **holiness**; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. **18** And the house of Jacob shall be a **fire**, and the house of Joseph a **flame**, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be *any* remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

Shake and Awake

Psa 35:23 KJV Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, *even* unto my cause, my God and my Lord.

God's Jealousy (Zeal) Makes Hell

Deu 32:9-23 KJV For **the LORD'S portion** *is* his people; Jacob *is* the lot of his inheritance. **10** He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as **the apple of his eye**. **11** As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: **12** So **the LORD alone** did lead him, and *there was* no strange god with him. **13** He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock; **14** Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape. **15** But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness*; then he forsook God *which* made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation. **16** They provoked him to jealousy with strange *gods*, with abominations provoked they him to anger. **17** **They sacrificed unto devils**, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new *gods that* came newly up, whom your fathers feared not. **18** Of the Rock *that* begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast **forgotten God** that formed thee. **19** And when the LORD saw *it*, **he abhorred** *them*, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters. **20** And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end *shall be*: for they *are* a very froward generation, children in whom *is* no faith. **21** They have moved me to **jealousy** with *that which is* not God; they have provoked me to anger with their **vanities**: and I will move them to **jealousy** with *those which are* not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. **22** For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. **23** I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them.
(More on Hell: [Jon 2:5-7](#))

For More

For more on "Fire" visit: www.TrueConnection.org...

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