



Today's Sermon:
Jealous

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God Is Jealous Passionately

This is what the LORD Almighty says: “I am very jealous for Zion; I am burning with jealousy for her.” (Zechariah 8:2 NIV)

God Is Jealous Against Idols

They made him jealous with their foreign gods and angered him with their detestable idols. (Deuteronomy 32:16 NIV)

God Is Jealous

- His nature (Exodus 34:14)
- His name (Ezekiel 39:25 NIV)
- His people (Zechariah 8:2 NIV)
- His land (Joel 2:18 NIV)
- His city (Zechariah 1:14 NIV)

Jealousy Can Be Sin

Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing. (James 3:16 NASB)

¹⁹The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ... (Galatians 5:19-20 NIV)

Jealousy becomes sin based on the object of our jealousy. Being jealous for things that are not ours is sin.

Biblical Examples

King Xerxes was Jealous for Queen Esther

Haman was falling on the couch where Esther was reclining. The king exclaimed, “Will he even molest the queen while she is with me in the house?” As soon as the word left the king’s mouth, they covered Haman’s face. (Esther 7:8 NIV)

David was Jealous for Israel

David asked the men standing near him, “What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel? Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?” (1 Samuel 17:26 NIV)

Peter was Jealous for Jesus’ Safety (bad)

²¹From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. ²²Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!” ²³Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.” (Matthew 16:21-23 NIV)

- We do not own God
- He does not need us to defend Him
- He wants us to be a witness for Him