

ZEALOUS

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Worship Team You Cannot Be Stopped

Greeting/Welcome

Worship Team Yes And Amen
Ever Be

Message Senior Pastor Jay Bruner
Zealous (Week 1)

Offering/Announcements/Dismissal

Running A Race That Matters

...And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith...Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV)

Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Rom. 12:11-13 (NIV)

Why Live Zealously for Christ?

1. To show my gratitude for what Christ has done for me. (Be joyful in hope.)

I tell you the truth, anyone who believes has eternal life. John 6:47 (NLT)

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory. So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God. Rom. 5:1-2 & 11 (NLT)

2. To help Christ's message become known. (Be joyful in hope.)

"You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden...In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. Matt. 5:14-16 (NLT)

3. So that others may be saved by Christ. (Be joyful in hope.)

...I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. 1 Corinthians 9:22-23 (ESV)

How to Live a Zealous Life

1. I must intentionally choose to perpetually love and serve God by loving and serving others.

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Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit. So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith. Galatians 6:8-10 (NLT)

So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NLT)

2. I must compassionately tell others of His Truth and let Him work.

Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ... Ephesians 4:15 (NLT)

Going deeper on your own: Read the following passages: Romans 5:1-12 (noting the hope Jesus gives us in becoming His follower), Romans 12:1-13, Ephesians 4, 1 Corinthians 15:58, and Galatians 4:2-6. What holds you back from living a *Zealous* life for Christ? What if you knew that if you lived out your faith in boldness others might be saved? Would that make a difference? As we go into this political year, think through the hot topics that will be discussed. Seek God's direction on these topics and ask the Lord to help you as you share His truth (in love) with whom you come in contact. As Pastor Jay said, "It's for more than about being right; it's about the redemption of those who are lost."