

# To Know the Living God: The Jealousy of God

## Exodus 20:1-6

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### Outline

*"You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly?"*

I Corinthians 3:3

*"Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy." Romans 13:13*

*And God spoke all these words:*

<sup>2</sup> *"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.*

<sup>3</sup> *"You shall have no other gods before me.*

<sup>4</sup> *"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments. Exodus 20:1-6*

#### I. What Godly Jealousy Is.

*"I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him. But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ."*

I Corinthians 11:1-3

#### II. What God's Jealousy Calls for.

*"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God." (vss. 4-5)*

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*"Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."* Matthew 10:37

*Blessed is the one  
who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and who meditates on his law day and night.  
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither—  
whatever they do prospers.* Psalm 1:1-3

*"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless"* Ephesians 5:25-27

*"I am the Lord your God."* God declares to Israel, *"I am yours!"* (vs. 2)

*"Come near to God and He will come near to you."* James 4:8

III. How to Answer the Call.

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*"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy..." Ephesians 5:22*

*"There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13*

*"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:35, 37-39*