



# LET THERE BE ZEAL

**Lesson Title: Let There Be Real**

**Key Verses:** John 2:13-17; Jer 7:3-10; Jude 1:4; Eph. 6:10-17; Isa. 59:16-17 (NKJV)

## Summary

The sermon emphasizes the need for zeal and revival within the church, calling for a return to sacredness and holiness by cleansing hypocrisy and false doctrines, and encouraging believers to live righteously and boldly for God amid societal pressures.

## Key Takeaways

1. Zeal is a passionate commitment to God that drives us to live righteously and stand for truth.
2. The church needs cleansing before revival can occur.
3. We must maintain a clear distinction between the sacred and the secular.
4. God's love doesn't mean approval of sinful behavior - He loves us but calls us to change.
5. Living for God requires courage and may bring persecution.
6. Revival is preceded by a cleansing of the church, and judgment begins with the people of God
7. Zeal for God can lead to persecution, as it did for Jesus, therefore, believers must stand firm in their faith even when it is unpopular.
8. Zeal is a part of the spiritual armor necessary for believers to stand against spiritual adversities.

## Discussion Questions:

1. What does "zeal for God" mean to you? How can we cultivate godly zeal in our lives?
2. How can we balance showing love and acceptance to others while still upholding biblical standards of holiness?
3. In what ways might we be guilty of treating God's grace as a 'license to sin', and how can we combat this mentality?
4. The pastor emphasized the need to "live right boldly and unapologetically." What challenges might we face in doing this? How can we overcome them?

## Practical Applications

1. **Self-examination:** Take time this week to prayerfully examine your life. Are there areas where you've compromised your faith or blurred the lines between sacred and secular?
2. **Prioritize Sacredness and Holiness:** Set boundaries that differentiate between what is sacred and what is secular. Ensure that your actions, especially in places of worship, honor the sanctity of God's presence. Avoid behaviors that commercialize or diminish the sacredness of your spiritual life.
3. **Address and Heal from Church Hurts:** If you've been hurt by the church or religious leaders, seek healing and reconciliation. Remember that God's character is not defined by human failures. Consider counseling or support groups if needed, and focus on rebuilding your faith in God's love and truth.