

# The CHOSEN

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Wednesday Nights  
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**“Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!”**

**John 12:27-28 NIV**



**Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there.**

**He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. “It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be called a house of prayer,’ but you are making it ‘a den of robbers.’”**

**Matthew 21:12-13 NIV**

**In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, “Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father’s house into a market!”**  
**John 2:14-16 NIV**

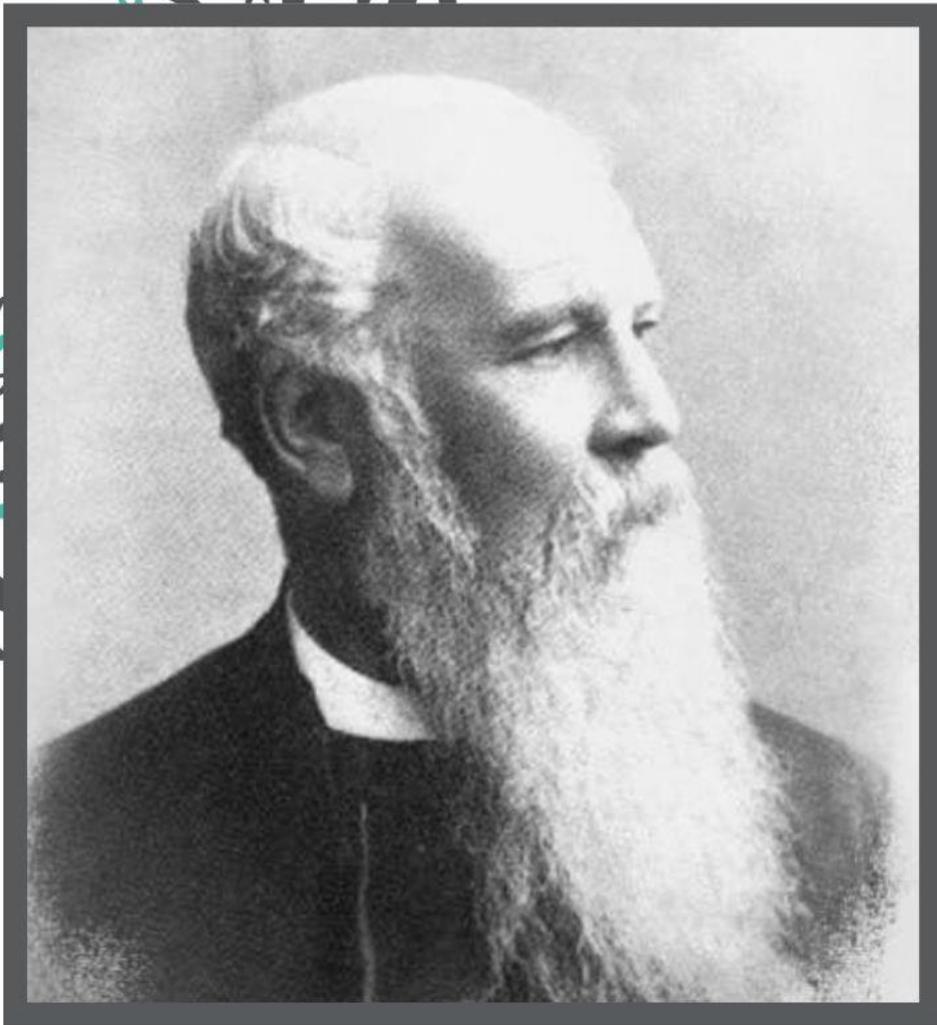
Psalm 69:9 NIV

For zeal for your  
house consumes me,  
and the insults of  
those who insult you  
fall on me.

John 2:17 NIV

His disciples  
remembered that it  
is written: "Zeal for  
your house will  
consume me."





**“Zeal is a burning desire to please God, to do His will, and to advance His glory in the world in every possible way.”**  
**Bishop J.C. Rayle**

**Christians are called  
to be zealous**

**Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. 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.**

**Romans 12:9-13 NIV**



**For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.**

**Romans 10:2-4 NIV**

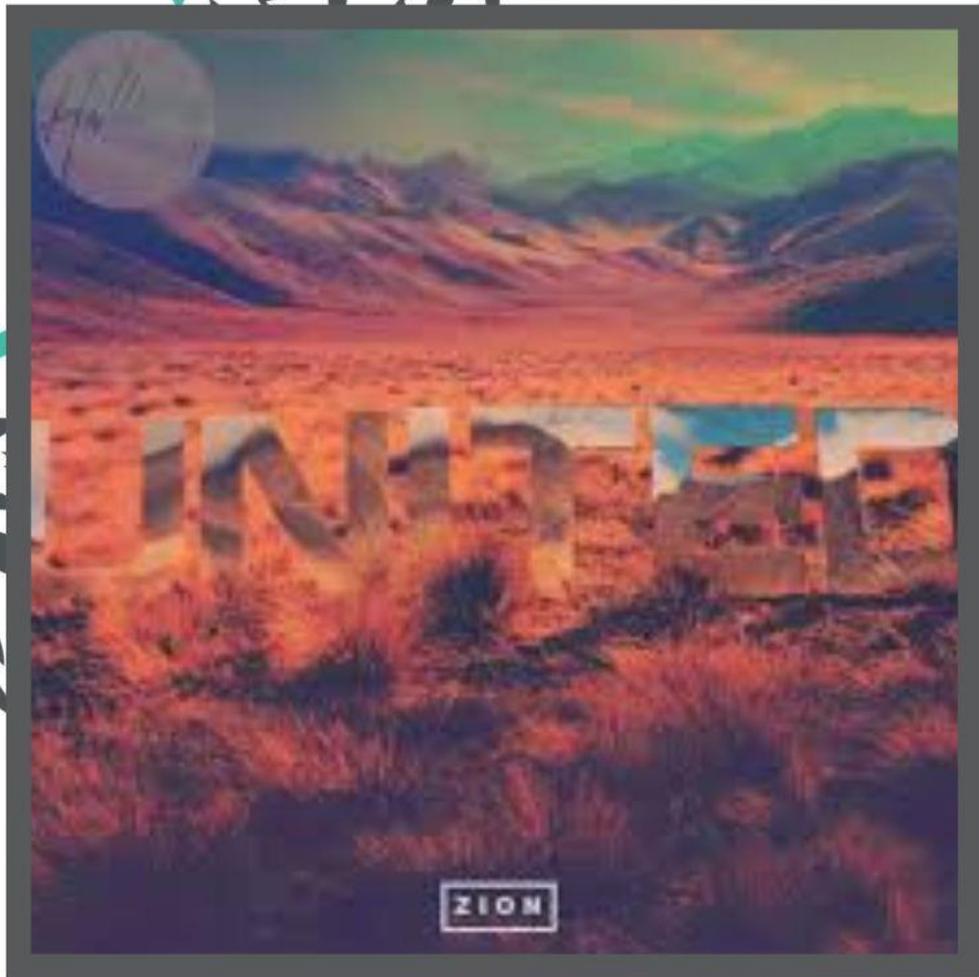


**Holy zeal requires the  
knowledge of God**

**The Son is the image of the  
invisible God, the firstborn  
over all creation.  
Colossians 1:15 NIV**



**God expresses Holy  
and Righteous emotions**



**“Break my heart for  
what breaks yours.  
Everything I am for  
your Kingdom’s cause.”  
Hillsong Worship,  
*Hosanna***

**God expresses Grief  
and Sorrow at our Sin**

**The Lord saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. The Lord regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled.**

**(and it grieved him to his heart.)**

**Genesis 6:5-6 NIV (ESV)**

**Godly sorrow brings repentance  
that leads to salvation and leaves  
no regret, but worldly sorrow  
brings death.**

**2 Corinthians 7:10 NIV**



**God's Wrath burns  
against the Idolater**

**“I have seen these people,” the Lord said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.”**

**Exodus 32:9-10 NIV**



**God Rejoices when  
sinners Repent**

**I tell you that in the same way there  
will be more rejoicing in heaven over  
one sinner who repents than over  
ninety-nine righteous persons who  
do not need to repent.**

**Luke 15:7 NIV**



**God detests Injustice  
of every kind**

**“For I, the LORD, love justice; I  
hate robbery and wrongdoing.  
Isaiah 61:8**



**There are six things the Lord hates,  
seven that are detestable to him:  
haughty eyes, a lying tongue,  
hands that shed innocent blood,  
a heart that devises wicked schemes,  
feet that are quick to rush into evil,  
a false witness who pours out lies  
and a person who stirs up  
conflict in the community.**

**Proverbs 6:16-19 NIV**



## Application

1. We are all called to be zealous.
2. Our zeal is only holy when God is Lord of our lives.
3. Holy Zeal leads to God-honoring emotions: grief, sorrow, joy, and anger.

