

Message: *What Hurts the Heart of Jesus? – Indifference/Apathy*

Scripture: Revelation 3:15-17

I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other. So because you're lukewarm-- neither hot nor cold-- I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

Revelation 3:15-16

TWO CAUSES FOR SPIRITUAL APATHY

1. SELF-SUFFICIENCY

You say "I'm rich, I've acquired wealth and I don't need a thing". But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked. Revelation 3:17

2. DISTRACTIONS OF THIS WORLD

But the worries of this life, and the deceitfulness of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful. Mark 4:19

SIX INDICATORS OF SPIRITUAL APATHY:

1. MORE CONCERNED WITH IMPRESSING PEOPLE THAN LIVING FOR GOD

In the end times, there will be people who are lovers of themselves. 2 Timothy 3:2

Woe to you, when all people speak well of you. Luke 6:26

2. WE'RE OBSESSED WITH LIFE ON EARTH, RATHER THAN ETERNITY IN HEAVEN

If you love the world, the love of the Father is not in you. 1 John 2:15

3. WE RATIONALIZE SIN

4. WE BELIEVE IN JESUS, BUT WE RARELY SHARE OUR FAITH

5. WE ONLY TURN TO GOD WHEN WE NEED HIM

6. WE ARE NOT MUCH DIFFERENT FROM THE WORLD

One thing you can do to reignite spiritual fire:

EVERY DAY DO SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES FAITH

...and without faith, it is impossible to please God. Hebrews 11:6

...faith without works is dead. James 2:26