

Living With Passion

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Romans 12:9-13 NIV

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.

Zeal:

Great energy or enthusiasm...

Question

Am I passionate in my walk with the Lord?

Quote

Enthusiasm and persistence can make an average person superior; indifference and lethargy can make a superior person average.

- W. W.

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Apathy

**Lack of feeling or emotion. Lack of interest or concern.
Indifference.**

Revelation 3:15-16 NKJV

“I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth.”

2 Timothy 1:6-7 NKJV

Therefore, I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

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Hebrews 10:24-25 NKJV

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Question

Is there a time when we were more passionate for the things of God?

Romans 12:3 NIV

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

Quote

May our passion for Christ always be greater than our passion for an easy life.

- B.P.