



PURSUE: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word
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Lecture Notes
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A Glimpse of God's Heart

"Oh, how can I give you up, Israel? How can I let you go? How can I destroy you like Admah or demolish you like Zeboiim? My heart is torn within Me, and My compassion overflows. No, I will not unleash my fierce anger. I will not completely destroy Israel, for I am God and not a mere mortal. I am the Holy One living among you, and I will not come to destroy." Hosea 11:8-9

I. What sin evokes in the Father's Heart

- The Father is revolted by sin because it has _____ His beautiful children and _____ fellowship with Him. His anger is holy and not tainted by sin. Matt. 9:36, Gen. 6:6*
- He _____ over the fallenness of creation and the brokenness that _____ our vision of His goodness. Mark 3:5, Matt. 13:13*
- Those who are not in Christ-sin evokes wrath. Those who are in Christ-sin evokes _____, _____, _____. Jeremiah 10:10, John 3:36, Romans 5:9, Psalm 103:4*
- The Father _____ against your sin, not against you because of your sin. He hates sin but intensely loves His children. Micah 7:19, Deut. 3:22, 2 Sam. 22:33*
- Sin evokes _____. It is in affliction that His children earnestly seek the Father. Hebrews 12*

II. Eager to Lavish Compassion, Reluctant to Dispense Judgment

- "He is a God that delights in mercy-and judgment is His _____ work." ~Jonathon Edwards*
- The first two words the Lord uses to describe Himself are _____. He is slow to anger but rich in mercy. Exodus 34:6-7, Psalm 103:8, 145: 8*

- *The entanglement of sin in His children first draws His heart of compassion, which is inflamed with pity. In His _____, the Father is exacting. In His mercy, He is _____. Numbers 14:18, Jonah 4:2*

III. Reflecting the Father's Heart

- _____, reflecting the Father's heart releases compassion. Matt. 18
- *Loving kindness, the fruit of the Spirit, draws others to the Father. Romans 2:4, Gal. 5:22*
- _____ is how we confront sin. Sharing the endless grace of God's heart to side with another against sin. Eph. 4:15
- *God's love flowing through our lives is the most _____ of His Word and character.*