

More of His Zeal to Consume Me

Scripture Reading: *Psalm 69:1-13*

A. Our theme for 2010: ***I am of Christ. Every day. Everywhere.***

B. The natural, logical plea that flows from our motto: ***Give me MORE of Jesus!***

I. “The Passover of the Jews was near”

A. A commemoration of God’s dramatic deliverance of the Jews from their bondage in Egypt.

B. It’s hard for us to imagine how crowded Jerusalem would have been on such an occasion.

C. *Malachi 3:1-3* — a matter of ancient prophecy.

II. John’s account of the event

A. What needed to be purified? *John 2:13-14* provides our answer.

B. *John 2:15-16* — Jesus’ reaction to what He saw in the Temple.

C. The reason Jesus would not back down was simple — *John 2:17*.

III. “Zeal for Your house will consume me” — what about YOU?

A. Do you feel any sense of that righteous zeal? What has “consumed” you?

B. What God has said to His people in times past (*Jer 30:3; 1:14; 2 Chron 34:3-5, 21*).

C. As Jesus looks to “the Temple” this morning, what does He see?

1. *1 Corinthians 3:5-17*

2. *1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 2 Corinthians 6:14-18*

D. We dare not take comfort in the face that the Lord is no longer on the earth to literally overturn our tables.

1. *Revelation 2:2-5*

2. *Revelation 3:1-3*

3. *Revelation 3:15-17*