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“His disciples remembered that it is written, ‘Zeal for your house will consume me.’” (John 2:17)

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Jesus Christ was consumed with doing his Father’s will while he was in this world. He knew his time on earth was short. He ensured that all the work that had been given to him was finished by the time he returned to heaven. All of our time, talent, and treasure are temporary as far as this world is concerned; however, what we do with them while we are here *will* have eternal ramifications. Do we care? The word “zeal” used by John indicates enthusiasm and passion. How much passion do you have for the things of God?

So, again, what are you doing with your time, talent, and treasure? Are you wasting them on the temporal, disregarding the eternal reality we all face, or are you fixing your eyes on the eternal aspect of life? Are you concentrating on the things God wants you to do? We have the option of laboring for those things that are perishing, or we can labor for those things that reap eternal benefits, both us and for others.

So many things I was zealous for in the past, that I thought were so important, have evaporated. They are no longer a part of my life. My thoughts now lie with: *What will last forever? Am I building on the foundation of Jesus Christ, or am I striving to construct something on the foundation of self?*

It is never too late to change course! There is always a new opportunity to become zealous for the things that are important to God.

Heart Deposit

If someone were to look at your life, what word or phrase would fill in this blank “Zeal for _____ consumed him/her.” Is the word or phrase in the blank temporal or eternal? How can you increase your zeal for the things of God?

***KingdomNomics* guides our choices as we fully understand the eternal implications.**

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“Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.” (John 12:25)

“I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 3:14)