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**Zeal**

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**Defined, Defended and**

**Demonstrated**

**Defined: *What is it?***

**Defended: *Do we need it?***

**Demonstrated: *Who had it?***

# Why the study?

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“Whatsoever” has already been defined!!!

But how are we doing the “Whatsoever”?

# Why the study?

- The fastest way to Higher Ground
- The “sum of the parts”
- Consider zeal the “turbo charger” for the traits we are being taught
- Zeal is Misinterpreted
- Zeal is Contagious
- Perilous Times call for Desperate Measures
- Nobody Remembers the Average







# Why the study?

We only have a few moments on this earth!

What kind of a legacy will you leave behind?

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## **He is Worthy!!!**

Isaiah 6:3

And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

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**Because He Deserves it!**

Titus 2:14

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Defined

# Zeal: Defined

- Definition: great energy or enthusiasm in pursuit of a cause or an objective.
- Synonyms: passion, ardor, love, fervor, fire, avidity, devotion, enthusiasm, eagerness, keenness, appetite, relish, gusto, vigor, energy, intensity; fanaticism

# Zealous: Defined

- Definition: having or showing zeal.
- Synonyms: fervent, ardent, fervid, fanatical, passionate, impassioned, devout, devoted, committed, dedicated, hard-core, enthusiastic, eager, keen, avid, vigorous, energetic, intense, fierce

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**Zeal.** Intense ardour in the pursuit of some end; passionate eagerness in favour of a person or cause; enthusiasm as displayed in action.

**Ardour.** Heat of passion or desire, vehemence, ardent desire; warmth of emotion, zeal, fervour.





Huh?

What Zeal Is Not!

The proverbial “bull in a  
china shop!”

# What Zeal Is Not!

## Heady

II Timothy 3:4

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God;

Impetuous, Rash, Impulsive



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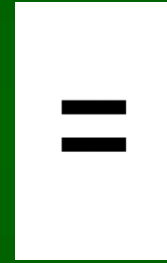
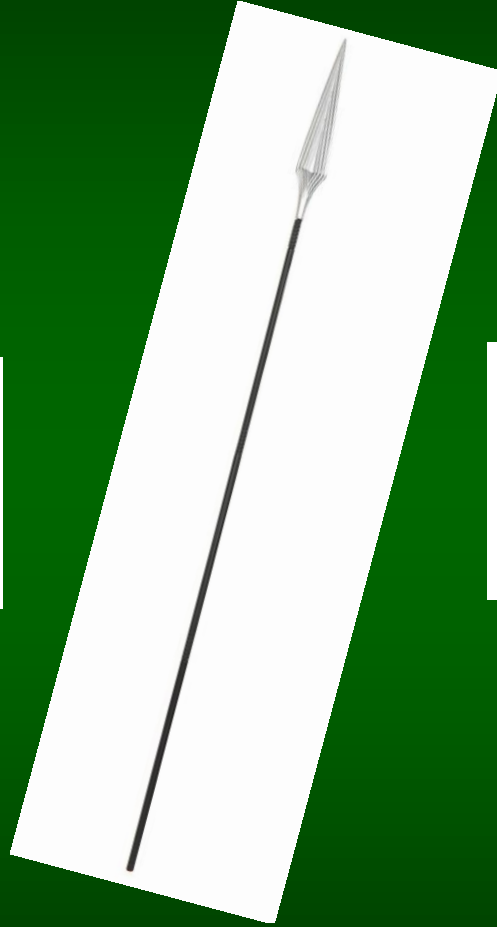
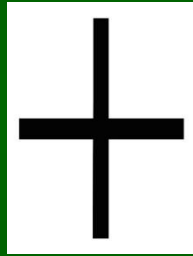
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Rose up

Do something!

Congregation!

Do not be dismayed!

Took a javelin!

Do not talk about it!



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And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain was Cozbi, the daughter of Zur; he was head over a people, and of a chief house in Midian.

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Why did the Holy Spirit give us the additional information?

Do not be afraid when it is time to act!

It does not matter who it is, sin is sin!



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# Conclusion

We have defined it

We have defended it

We have seen it demonstrated

Now will we do it

# Which one are you?

