Spiritual Renewal

Last week we looked at what the Lord had to say to the Christians at Ephesus.

Revelation 2:4,5

There is an ever-present danger that we can become 'lukewarm'.

God has given us some basic principles to regain our passion for Him.

I. WE MUST KNOW WHO WE ARE!

We are God's children. 1 John 3:1

II. WE MUST BE INVOLVED

- a. We must be involved with others who are passionate for the Lord.
- b. We must get involved with daily worship and praise. Acts 2:46, 47

III. WE MUST WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH. John 4:23, 24

a. Worship is an attitude of the heart.

Only when we start worshiping Jesus with heartfelt praise,

can we begin the journey to **regaining our passion for Him**.

b. We must keep the true object of worship in focus.

The true object is and must always remain – it is the Most - High God.

c. We must KNOW what we claim as truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

We must read and study the Bible like everything depends on it.

WHY, BECAUSE IT DOES!

d. We must THINK ABOUT what we claim as truth.

To be an ignorant worshiper is to be a false worshiper.

- e. We must come in love to learn about what we claim as truth.
 - A. Some come because they fear something bad will happen if they don't. (Superstitious worshipers)
 - B. Christianity is not based on fear, but on the love of God.

IV. THE PATH TO REGAINING YOUR PASSION FOR GOD.

1. Understand that you are

the elect royalty; God's masterpiece, God's chosen children; Christians who are joint heirs to the kingdom of God.

2. Be Involved

Invest your life in the Lord's work.

Invest your life in others.

- 3. Develop a daily habit of praise and worship,
- 4. Don't praise to get, praise to give.

Listen to what the Lord says to the church at Laodicea.

Revelation 3:14-16