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Pastor Al
"A Beautiful Life" series

Romans 12:11

**Never be lacking in zeal,
but keep your spiritual fervor,
serving the Lord.**

Jude 20-21

*...build YOURSELVES up in your most holy faith ...
Keep YOURSELVES in God's love...*

2 Timothy 1:6-7

... I remind YOU to fan into flame the gift of God...

What is the role of emotions in our walk with Christ?

- church culture -
- family / community -
- What God says -

"Never be lacking in zeal..." =

"speed" or business (KJV) **haste** = great speed, especially where time is limited

*"It is ... part of being a Christian ... who **KNOWS**
WHAT HE IS and **WHO IS NOT GOING TO LOSE**
WHAT HE HAS BEEN GIVEN."*

"keep your spiritual fervor" the heart / soul is
"to be hot" like a b _____ liquid or g _____
solid due to f _____!

*"First, human energy. But then attention is drawn to
the impelling p _____ of God."*

**ZEAL = from the HEART that B _____ up!
B _____ over! G _____!**

ZEAL FOR REAL!
Your Heart - the local source of a beautiful life!

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The **CRUCIAL** role of the _____:
(*"WAKING THE DEAD"* by John Eldredge)

CR#1 – Your Heart is God's source of a beautiful life!

"G _____ your **HEART** for from it flows the springs of life."
(Prov. 4:23)

PRINCIPLES OF A BEAUTIFUL LIFE:

1. _____ is the ultimate SOURCE.
2. I am _____ to live it!

LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR _____!!!

ZEAL STEALERS:

1. D _____ – physiological issues
2. S _____ changes –
3. B _____ experiences--
4. _____ –
5. Lack of _____ -- awareness

What "dampens" your flame for Christ?

How to keep the flame alive:

- 1) C _____, v _____ diet of _____
- 2) Regular _____
- 3) M _____
- 4) B _____ in Christ
- 5) " _____ "-- not stopping PERMANENTLY @
" _____ Stops" in life...

TWO TYPES OF ZEAL:

- 1) **U** _____ **Zeal** (Matt. 13:20-21)
- 2) **F** _____ - **T** _____ **Zeal** (James 1:2-4)

**One thing I need to do to make my ZEAL for Christ
REAL:**
