



Week 8
"WHY We Do What We Do"

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden... In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven."



QUESTION:

Can doing the "right thing" ever be dangerous?



Revelation 2:1-3

"To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands...



Revelation 2:1-3

"... 'I know your deeds, hard work and perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false...



Revelation 2:1-3

"...'You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name and have not grown weary.""



"While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the interior road and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?'



"They answered, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' So Paul asked, 'Then what baptism did you receive?' 'John's baptism,' they replied.



"Paul said, 'John's baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus."



Acts 19:8-9

"Paul entered the synagogue and spoke boldly there for three months, arguing persuasively about the kingdom of God.



Acts 19:8-9

"But some of them became obstinate; they refused to believe and publicly maligned the Way. So Paul left them."



"God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, so that even handkerchiefs and aprons that had touched him were taken to the sick, and their illnesses were cured and the evil spirits left them.



"Some Jews who went around driving out evil spirits tried to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who were demon-possessed.



"They would say, 'In the name of the Jesus whom Paul preaches, I command you to come out.' Seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this.



"One day the evil spirit answered them, 'Jesus I know, and Paul I know about, but who are you?'



"Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all. He gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding."



Revelation 2:2-3

"I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance...

You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name and have not grown weary."



Revelation 2:2

"I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not and have found them false."



Revelation 2:4-5a

"Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first."



Matthew 15:7-9

"You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: 'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."



The GREAT COMMANDMENT
(love for the LORD)
and
The GREAT COMMISSION
*(love for the LOST)



Matthew 16:24

"If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."



John 13:12-17

"When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, 'Do you understand what I have done to you?



John 13:12-17

"'You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.



John 13:12-17

"'I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you."



Revelation 2:5b

"If you do not repent,
I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place."





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