"How Can a Loving God Be So Angry?"

Amazed by Grace • part 5

Introduction

• unrighteous human anger driven to get 'evener'

"Anger is only one letter short of danger."

- Author unknown

- unrighteous anger incompatible with new life in Christ Eph. 4:31; Col. 3:8; Mt. 5:21-22
- yet God is a God of wrath...

1. Why is God characterized by wrath?

- God's wrath uncontrolled emotional outbursts
- God's wrath a "communicable" attribute
- God's wrath = a righteous response to sin

"Wrath is the holy revulsion of God's being against that which is the contradiction of His holiness." - John Murray

> Ps. 45:7; 7:11 Gen. 6-7; 18-19; Ex. 32:9-10; Jn. 3:36; Col. 3:6

"Is God so infinitely holy? Then see how unlike to God sin is....No wonder, therefore, that God hates sin, being so unlike to Him, nay, so contrary to Him; it strikes at His holiness."

- Thomas Watson





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2. Why is God's wrath directed toward all mankind?

• two 'revelations' of one plan

- two descriptions of one people
 - ungodliness
 - unrighteousness
- God's wrath comes for one fundamental sin
 - suppress

Jn. 3:19

APPLICATION

- a. God's wrath must inspire thanksgiving within me. Zech. 8:17
- b. God's wrath must inspire us in evangelism. Ps. 103:8-9; Rom. 2:4
- c. God's wrath won my salvation. Rom. 3:25-26; Is. 53:11