

PERSERVING IN PRACTICE.

John. 17

I. PRACTICAL TRUTHS FOR HUMANITY.

WE HAVE THE SAME-

A. LIFE v.2

B. RELATIONSHIP. v.11

C. TREATMENT. v.14

D. MISSION. v.18

E. UNITY. v. 21

F. GLORY. v. 22

G. LOVE. v. 23

If we would be to Jesus what Jesus is to the Father, then Jesus will be to us what the Father is to Him.

II. PROMISES OF A FOCUSED LIFE.

NOTHING CAN-

A. DISTRACT YOU. JO.7:30;8:20

B. DESTROY YOU. JO.12:27

C. DISCOURAGE YOU. 2 COR.4:7-12

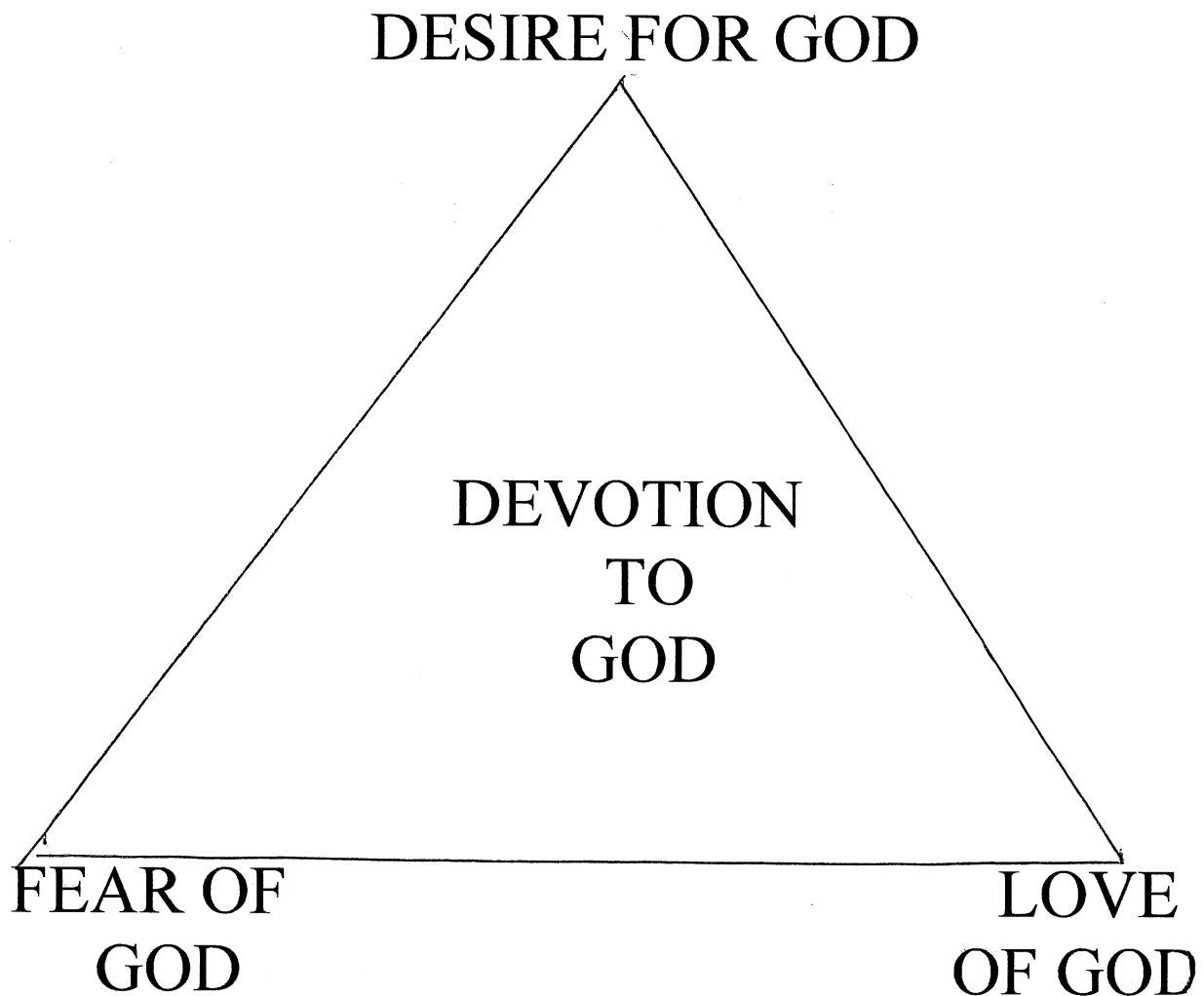
D. DISAPPOINT YOU. JO.16:32

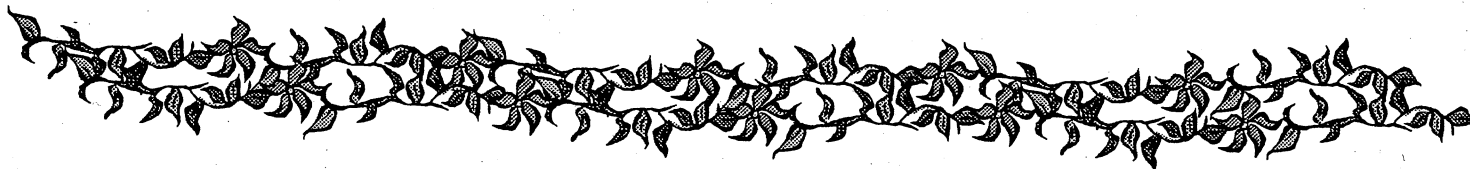
E. DEFEAT YOU. JO. 17:4

*"IF YOUR OUT
PUT IS MORE
THAN YOUR
INTAKE....YOUR
UPKEEP WILL BE
YOUR DOWN
FALL"*

GODLINESS

DEF. DEVOTION TO GOD





Testing Our Spiritual Growth

Ephesians 4: 11-16

You know you are growing in your relationship with Christ when:

1. You are becoming increasingly aware of your sinfulness and weaknesses. Isaiah 6:1-13
2. Your response to sin is quick and followed by genuine repentance. I John 1:9
3. Your spiritual battles are becoming more fierce and yet you still rejoice. Ephesians 6: 10-17
4. You begin to see trials and temptations as opportunities for growth. James 1: 2-4
5. You view service to Him as an honor and not a burden.
Mark 10:45
6. You view everything as coming from God. Romans 8:28
7. You sense your faith growing stronger. Hebrews 11:1, 6
8. You desire to spend more time in praise and worship.
Psalm 121
9. Your desire to obey Him becomes more intense and sin becomes less attractive. John 14:21
10. You are eager to share with others what Christ is doing in your life. Matthew 28:19-20
11. You experience more awareness of His presence at all times, not just in church on Sundays. John 16:7-15
12. You jealously guard your quiet times of prayer and Bible study. Mark 1:35
13. You prefer to spend time with Him above all others.
II Corinthians 3:18

