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Speaker: Tim McCardel Message Series: Delighting In God Above All Else Pt. 2

Last Week: Question: Do angels yawn in God's presence?

Today: Question: Do I make angels yawn?

1. Consider Jesus' "Ifs"

John 14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments."

Luke 9:23 "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself ... "

John 7:37 "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink."

Psalm 1:2 "... his delight is in the law of God, and on his law he meditates day and night."

## 2. Our Response:

1) If my relationship to Jesus is love—I will delight in doing what He says without delay.

2) If I hesitate—it is because I love someone (self love) more than I love Jesus.

3) Note: the First Commandment: Exodus 20:3 "You shall have No Other Gods Before Me."

<u>1 Corinthians 6:19</u> "Do you not know that... you are not your own?" Philippians 3:10

## Two Truths:

- 1) <u>If I obey Jesus Christ</u> in the seemingly random circumstances of life, they become <u>pinholes thru</u> which <u>I see the face of God</u>." ~Chambers
- 2) If I inwardly delight in Jesus above all others—<u>His presence</u> will overflow to others.

<u>2 Corinthians 2:15</u> "We are to God the fragrance of Christ..."

## 3. What Is Delighting In God?

 $\Rightarrow$  Actually <u>enjoying</u> God, finding <u>pleasure</u> in Him, <u>fully satisfied in Him</u>.

## Three Main Factors in Delighting In God:

1) Love the Giver not the gifts

Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

♦ When God is your gold—God will be your gladness! Job 1:9-11 Job 1:20-22

2) Enjoy the Person of God

Philippians 4:4Psalm 37:4Psalm 16:11Psalm 42:1Ephesians 3:17-19

3) Loving God, Delighting In Him is First: Keeping His Commands Flows From This Love

Matthew 22:37 2 Corinthians 8:1, 2

 $\Rightarrow$  Love and delight for God grows out of experiencing the love of God.

<u>1 John 4:19</u> "We love Him because He first loved us."