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- <sup>10</sup> And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- <sup>11</sup> Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away from the children of Israel, while he was zealous for my sake among them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy.

- Zeal or zealous in the Old Testament means jealousy or envy
- Jealousy: 1: a jealous disposition, attitude, or feeling
- 2: zealous vigilance

- A Watchman Must First Watch Himself
- We have learned to live with unholiness and have come to look upon it as the natural and expected thing. – A.W. Tozer

- Holiness is not simply the absence of sin but the deliberate consecration to God; It comes from a true desire to be like Jesus.
- Holiness without the cross is as hopeless as salvation without the empty tomb.

- “In every Christian’s heart there is a cross and a throne, and the Christian is on the throne till he puts himself on the cross. If he refuses the cross, he remains on the throne. Perhaps this is at the bottom of the backsliding and worldliness among gospel believers today. We want to be saved but we insist that Christ do all the dying. No cross for us, no dethronement, no dying...we doom ourselves to shadows and weakness and spiritual sterility.” –  
A.W. Tozer

- There will never be holiness in my life unless I go to that empty cross not merely for salvation, but to climb upon it and die as well.
- When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die – Dietrich Bonhoeffer

- James 4:4-5 - <sup>4</sup>Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup> Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, “The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously”?
- “God wants the whole person, and He will not rest till He gets us in entirety. No part of the man will do” – A.W. Tozer

- A Watchmen Must Secondly Watch Those Closest to Him
- 2 Samuel 2:29-30 - <sup>29</sup> Why do you kick at My sacrifice and My offering which I have commanded *in My* dwelling place, and honor your sons more than Me, to make yourselves fat with the best of all the offerings of Israel My people?' <sup>30</sup> Therefore the Lord God of Israel says: 'I said indeed *that* your house and the house of your father would walk before Me forever.' But now the Lord says: 'Far be it from Me; for those who honor Me I will honor, and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed.'

- Holiness without discipline from a trusted mentor is virtually impossible.
- 2 Corinthians 11:2-3 - <sup>2</sup> For I am jealous for you with the jealousy of God himself. I promised you as a pure bride to one husband—Christ. <sup>3</sup> But I fear that somehow your pure and undivided devotion to Christ will be corrupted, just as Eve was deceived by the cunning ways of the serpent. (NLT)

- Galatians 6:1 - Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself.

- We all have blind spots.
- We help remove the speck from our neighbor's eye, when a godly mentor has helped us remove the plank from our own.

- Pursuing holiness without accountability is nothing more than hoping to get from point A to point B while standing still.
- 2 Timothy 2:22 - <sup>22</sup> Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

- Finally, a Watchman Warns Everyone
- Just because the world rejects God's holiness, that does not mean we stop talking about it.

- We are not to judge the world, but knowing the coming judgment we do not cease to warn them.
- 1 Corinthians 5:11-13 - <sup>11</sup> But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner—not even to eat with such a person. <sup>12</sup> For what *have I to do* with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? <sup>13</sup> But those who are outside God judges. Therefore “put away from yourselves the evil person.”

- Holiness is Christ in me being reflected in what I say and do.
- 1 John 3:18 - <sup>18</sup> My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

- Holiness, sanctified and set apart for Jesus' use is what gives us Jesus' heart through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.
- 1 Corinthians 14:1 – Let love be your highest goal...(NLT)