

Great Peace!

Text: Psalm 119:165

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A. Our series of messages on holiness comes to an end – but not our commitment to holy living!

- 1) Remember – you have at least “20 Reasons Not To Sin!”
- 2) Remember – Holiness is ...
 - a. A Positional Claim
 - b. A Practical Calling
 - c. A Personal Commitment

B. Today – Pastor Tim shares his “life verse” with you

Psalm 119:165, KJV
Psalm 119:165, NIV

C. “What Ticks You Off Enough to Knock You Off Track?”

D. We have a race to run – and a race to finish

Heb. 12:1
Psalm 119:165
1 Cor. 10:13
Prov. 18:21
John 16:1-2
Psalm 119:165

E. Star Trek Illustration – the devil knows your weakness

Psalm 119:165

F. Can you endure unjust treatment for the cause of Christ?

1 Pet. 2:19-23
Luke 6:40
2 Tim. 3:12
Luke 21:19
James 1:4
2 Cor. 12:15
2 Tim. 2:10
Acts 20:24
Gen. 41:57
Psalm 119:165

G. Do you know “what manner of spirit ye are of?”

Luke 9:51-56, KJV

Heb. 12:1-2

John 19:30

H. Paradoxical Commandments of Leadership (John Maxwell, Mother Theresa)

- 1) People are illogical, unreasonable and self-centered. *Love them anyway!*
- 2) If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. *Do good anyway!*
- 3) If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies. *Succeed anyway!*
- 4) The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. *Do good anyway.*
- 5) Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. *Be honest and frank anyway.*
- 6) The biggest men with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men with the smallest minds. *Think big anyway.*
- 7) People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs. *Fight for a few underdogs anyway.*
- 8) What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. *Build anyway!*
- 9) People really need help, but may attack you if you try to help them. *Help them anyway!*
- 10) Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth. *But give the world the best you have anyway!*

I. Why are you running this race?

Phil. 3:13-14

Isaiah 26:3, KJV

Matt. 27:13-14

Isaiah 9:6, KJV