

A Consuming Fire

The Seven Fires of God.

1/ The Consuming Fire

Our God is a consuming **Fire.**

Hebrews 12 v 29

every man's work shall be made manifest; for the Day shall declare it, because it shall be **revealed by fire**, and the fire shall test every man's work of what sort it is.

1 Corinthians 3 v 13

The Lord Jesus will come in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who know not God, and who obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1 v 8...

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to what he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

2 Corinthians 5 v 10...

For the LORD thy **God is a consuming fire**, even a jealous God.

Deuteronomy 4 v 24

Understand therefore this day that the LORD thy God is He who goeth over before thee as a **consuming fire.**

Deuteronomy 9 v 3

A fire goeth before Him, and burns up His enemies round about; Psalm 97 v 3
Jesus Christ

"I am come to send fire on the earth, and what will I, if it be already kindled?

Luke 12 v 49

Is not **My Word like as a fire?"** saith the LORD, "and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces? Jeremiah 23 v 29

Solomons Offering. 2 Chronicles 7 v 3
Abrahams Sacrifice Genesis 15 v 17
Sodom Gormorah Genesis 19 v 24

Moses.
I exceeding fear and quake. Hebrews 12 v 18

2/ Fire of Testing

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the **fiery trial** which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you;

1 Peter 4 v 14

that the trial of your faith (being much more precious than gold that perisheth, **though it be tested with fire**) might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ, 1 Peter 1 v 7

Faith is always tested!! that the trial of your faith (being much more precious than gold that perisheth, though it be tested with fire) might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ, 1 Peter 1 v 7

Gold silver refined in the fire –

Shadrack- Mesheck- Abednigo. Thrown into the fiery furnace
Daniel 3 v 25..... He answered and said, "Lo, I see four men
loose, **walking in the midst of the fire**, and they have no hurt;
and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

Every man's work tried in the fire .. every man's work shall be
made manifest; for the Day shall declare it, because it shall be
revealed by fire, and the fire shall test every man's work of
what sort it is If any man's work abide which he hath built
thereon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be
burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved,
yet so as fire. 1 Corinthians 3 v 13

3/ Fire of Testimony

Elijah Call the fire down 1 Kings 18 v 38

In the contest with the 400 prophets of Baal!!!

Christians seem unable to call the fire down?

The enemies of the Lord insinuate that the Lord is asleep!!

Elijah, "Did all these things at thy Word"

1 Kings 18 v 36

Enoch had this testimony

THAT HE PLEASSED GOD

Hebrews 11 v 5

The Two Witnesses had this testimony

“Fire came down from Heaven and devoured their enemies.

Revelation 11 v 5

4/ The Fire of Judgement

For the time is come when judgement must begin with the house of God 1 Peter 4 V 17 -

1 Corinthians 11 v 31/32 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

Nadab and Abihu offered a strange fire

And there went out fire from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. **Leviticus 10 v 2**

Why?? **1 Corinthians 1 v 29**

that no flesh should glory in His presence.

In the rebellion of Korah and Ab'riam. The earth swallowed them up. **But fire fell upon the 250 princes**

Numbers 16 v 35 –

Joel 1 v 19

The branch that beareth not fruit is cut down

and **burned in the fire** . John 15 v 2-6

The rich man in Luke 16 v 24

“I am tormented in this flame”

Fire comes down on Gog and Magog and devours them

Revelation 20 v 14 Mathew 7 v 21 2 Corinthians 6 v 15

The fearful and unbelieving, all liars shall have their part in the lake which burneth with **fire and brimstone**

Rev 20 v 14

Fire goes before him and burns all His enemies Psalm 97 v 3

If we would judge ourselves we should not be judged

1 Corinthians 11 v 31 - Galatians 3 v 13

5/ The Fire of Betrayal

Peter follows Jesus afar off. .John 17 v 18

It was a cold night

Peter drew near to the **fire for comfort** and warmth

We too can draw near to the world and its evil for the promise of comfort and warmth???

The crowd was social and political.

This led to the denial of Jesus

To His losing His testimony

Be ye separate and touch not the unclean thing

1 Corinthians 6 v 17

Peter sat with them.

We can so easily betray Jesus in our desire for worldly warmth.

We need to guard our actions and our lifestyle

Judas betrayed Jesus with a Kiss

Mark 14 v 45 Luke 22 v 48

Many walk of whom I have told you often and tell you now even weeping, they are the enemies of the cross of Christ..

Philippians 3 v 18

Lesson: **Never mix with the World**

6/ The Fire of Man's Activity

Tony's fire in war time Britain was made of twist of old newspapers and wet wood heaped up with wet coal dust

It would not light

If it was built on yesterdays ashes
If it was smothered with the weight of coal
If the wood was damp and the coal was wet.

You cannot kindle the flames of love with the wrong material.

In life we have the coals of unbelief

Jesus could do no mighty works because of Unbelief

Mark 6 v 5

When the fleshly fire went out. How awful!!!

Smoke filled the room- It was cold
And rubble and debris filled the grate

All was wasted effort

Not by Might Not by Power but by my Spirit saith the Lord

Zechariah 4 v 6

Cold/ Hot

The Lukewarm Jesus said
I will spew thee out of my mouth **Revelation 3 v 17**

We must not try to light God's fires. **Leviticus 10 v 2**

Wesley the 18th century preacher used mightily of God was
escaped from a burning building when a child.

He always said that he was like
"A brand plucked from the burning"

Zechariah 3 v 2

Oh Let us light the **fire of Salvation**
from the flames from **"Christ Calvary Love"**

7/ The Fire of Victory

"Come and Dine" **John 21 v 32**

What an Invitation from the Lord Jesus Himself!!

Resurrected Glorified Jesus Christ.

Calling his disciples

Have you heard Him Call??

It had been a long hard dark night, of toil and labour,

Our Labour in the Lord is not in vain

It is now morning, we are tired.

We have laboured all night and have empty nets,

NO fruit, nothing

But hear Jesus calls.

Have you any meat ?

Psalm 30 v 5weeping may endure for a night, but joy
cometh in the morning.

Psalm 126 v 3

We shall reap if we faint not.....

In the morning after the midnight hour. He will appear

The fire is already alight. The invitation is to Come.

A Fire -A fish-

A Welcome

A Saviour!!!

We shall reap if we faint not

A trumpet will sound

Are we ready ?

RSVP

Come and dine!

Are you wearing wedding garments?

Matthew 22 v 12 And he said unto him, 'Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment?'

And he was speechless.