

Lesson 5

Dangerous Living

Introduction pg.55

Pg. 56 - Have we ever considered being a Christian dangerous to the world because *“We are the bearers of the most wild, dangerous, untamed force for the good in the world!”*

Inconvenient Truth

Pg. 57 Study the text on this page.

- How absurd is a holy God who judges sin absurd to us today?
- How afraid are we that there is a God who judges you?
- Are we reluctant to acknowledge, let alone celebrate, a dangerous God?

Fear and Following

- Pg. 59 - How do we feel about the statement *“only a God who punishes evil and wrongs is ultimately a God of Love?”*
- Pg. 60 - What would it look like for us to be *“dangerous to evil and injustice, a holy threat to anything that preys on the innocent, crushes the powerless, and enslaves people to sin?”*

The Danger of Safety

- Pg. 61- What prevents us from becoming a threat to the kingdom of darkness?
- Was Jesus one who played it safe, easy listening, using non-offensive lyrics? Was he careful to speak in such away to not incite a rage?
- Pg. 62 – How much to prayers for personal safety dominate our prayer lives?
- Pg. 63 - What did the disciples pray for?
- What types of questions should we be asking if we want to re-form our worship?

Village Gods

- Pg. 64 - Being a Christian isn't hard (TRUE or FALSE)?
- Are we in danger of worshipping a small God?
- What kind of God to we worship? Are we praying to a village God?
- How might “Playing it safe” affect our witness for Christ? Pg. 66

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Risky Behavior

- What is *Risky Behavior* for the church?
- Why is sacrificial compassion risky behavior for a Christian?

Consider: What risky things might we do as a church?

Rethinking Sin

- According to the author, how do we fight sin?
- How would living a dangerous Christian life help to fight sin?
- Pg. 71 – Sin hurts people and ruins relationships; but sin also keeps us from _____.

Consider: What are we missing? What have we missed?

Closing Thoughts

- We do not have to go to a foreign mission field to answer God's Call. Sometimes we serve God right where we are. That does not mean we do not have to be a radical and dangerous witness of our faith.
- Are we not longing or drawn to a dangerous God? Shouldn't The same god who we want to radically intervene and rescue us from our lives of quiet desperation be the same god who judges sin and hates evil?