

Possessing the promised Land

The Journey from Egypt to Canaan

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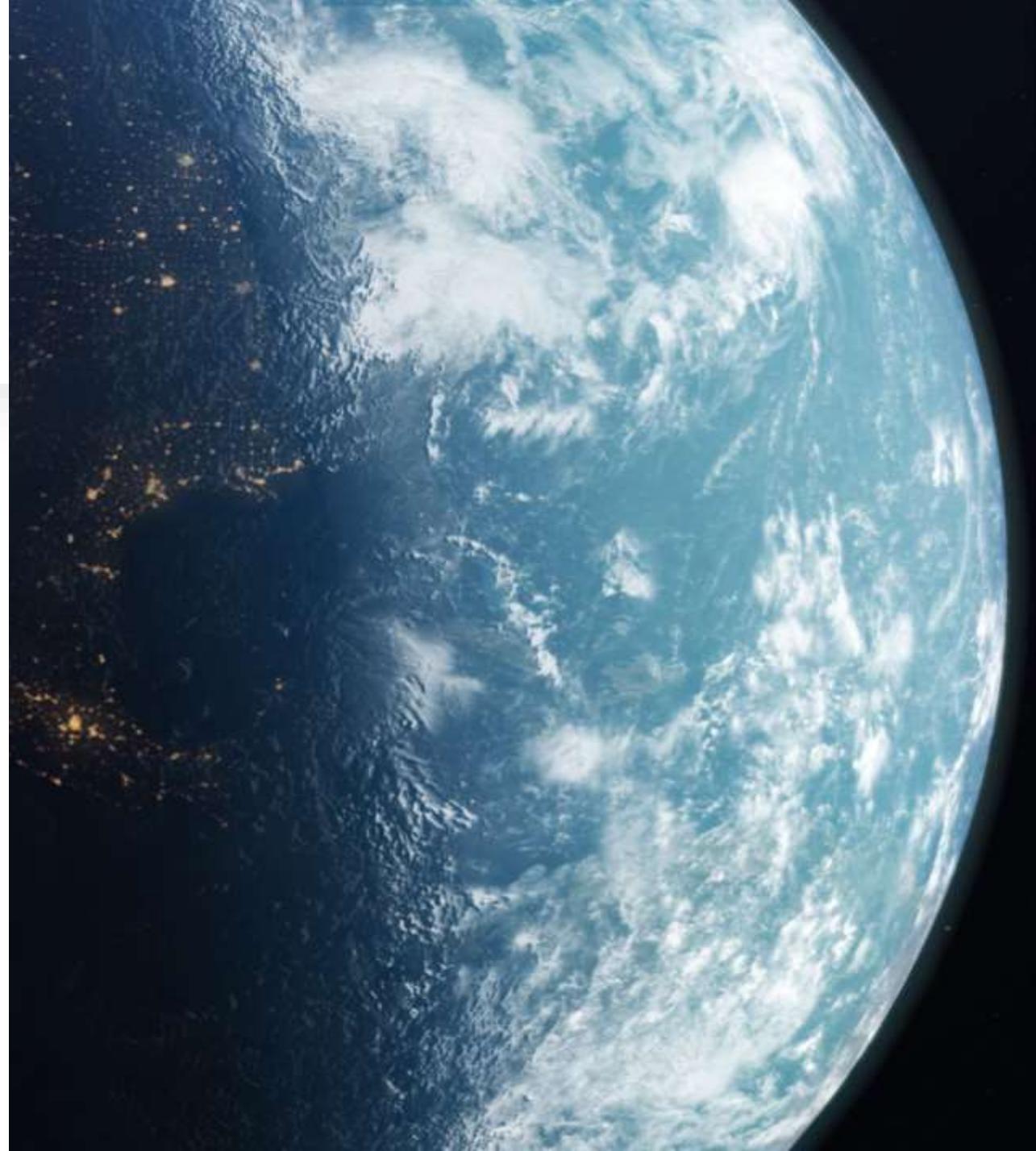
Introduction

- The journey from Egypt to Canaan has three stages
 - Egypt to Red sea- Liberation from Pharaoh
 - Red sea to Jordan- Sanctification from Egypt
 - Jordan to Canaan- Possession of the land
- The promises
Gen 12:1-3: 15:1: 15:13-21



Small role in the grand scheme

- The possession of the land was spanning over centuries and generations
- It started with Abraham and progressed through Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses and Joshua and Caleb
- Each of them had to respond to the calling of God in their lives towards the grand scheme of God
- The difference between them and the rest of the world was their purpose of life revolved around this



PROMISE

- God's promises are personal towards advancement of His kingdom
- He promised Abraham but it was about a nation
- He promised Moses but it was about His plan disclosed to Abraham
- The grand scheme unfolds in a personal level



Passion in the Purpose

- People can be passionate or non passionate
- Passionate people make a difference in the process
- They bring life into the process and are an appeal to the purpose
- When someone is passionate about the purpose of God in their lives they experience and enjoy God more than anyone else in the world and in history
- Passionate people cannot be hidden and passion for God and His kingdom changes lives and history



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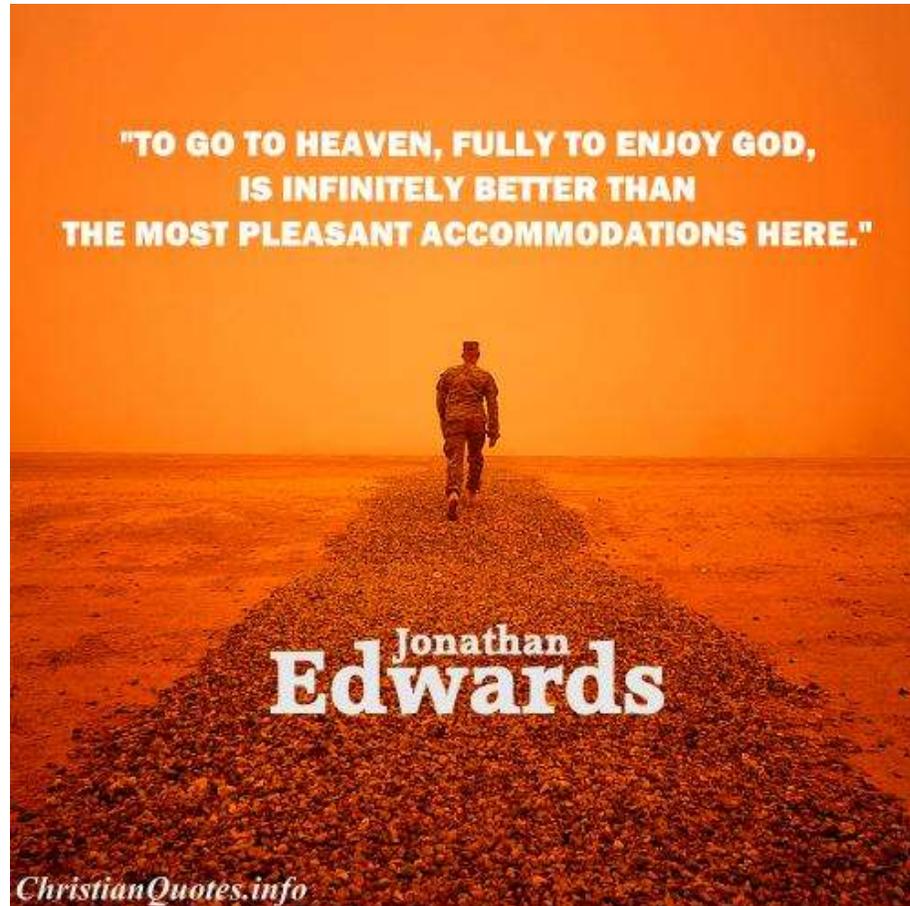
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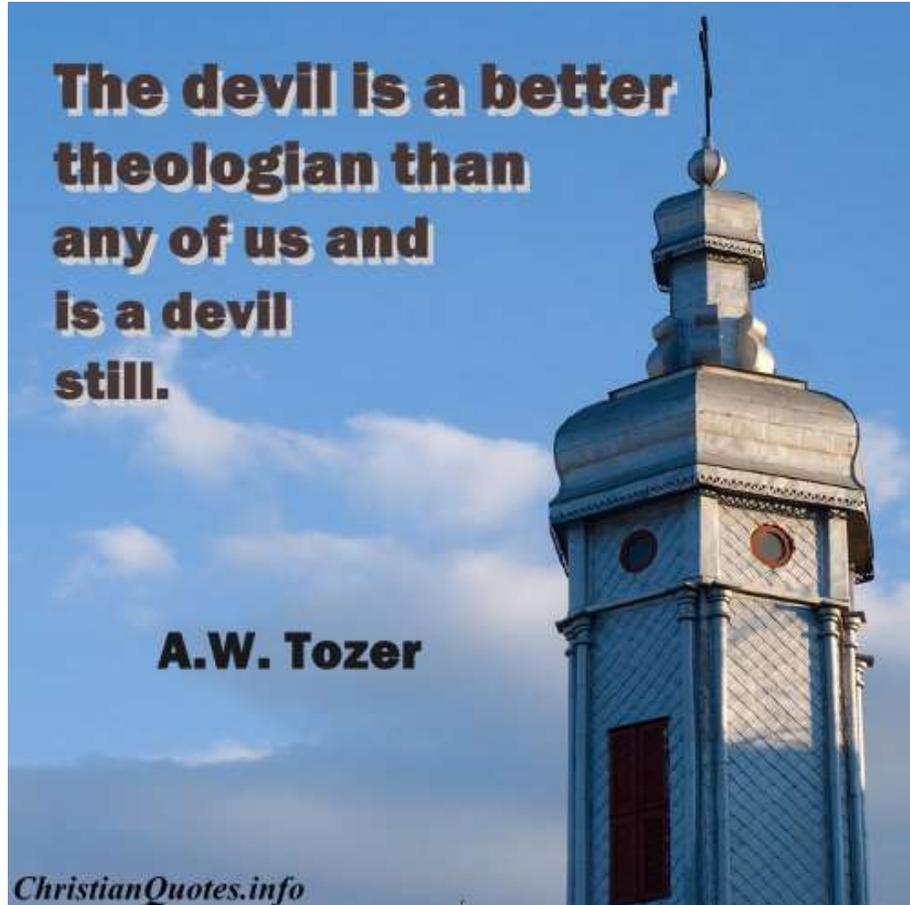


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Jonathan Edwards



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Young Billy

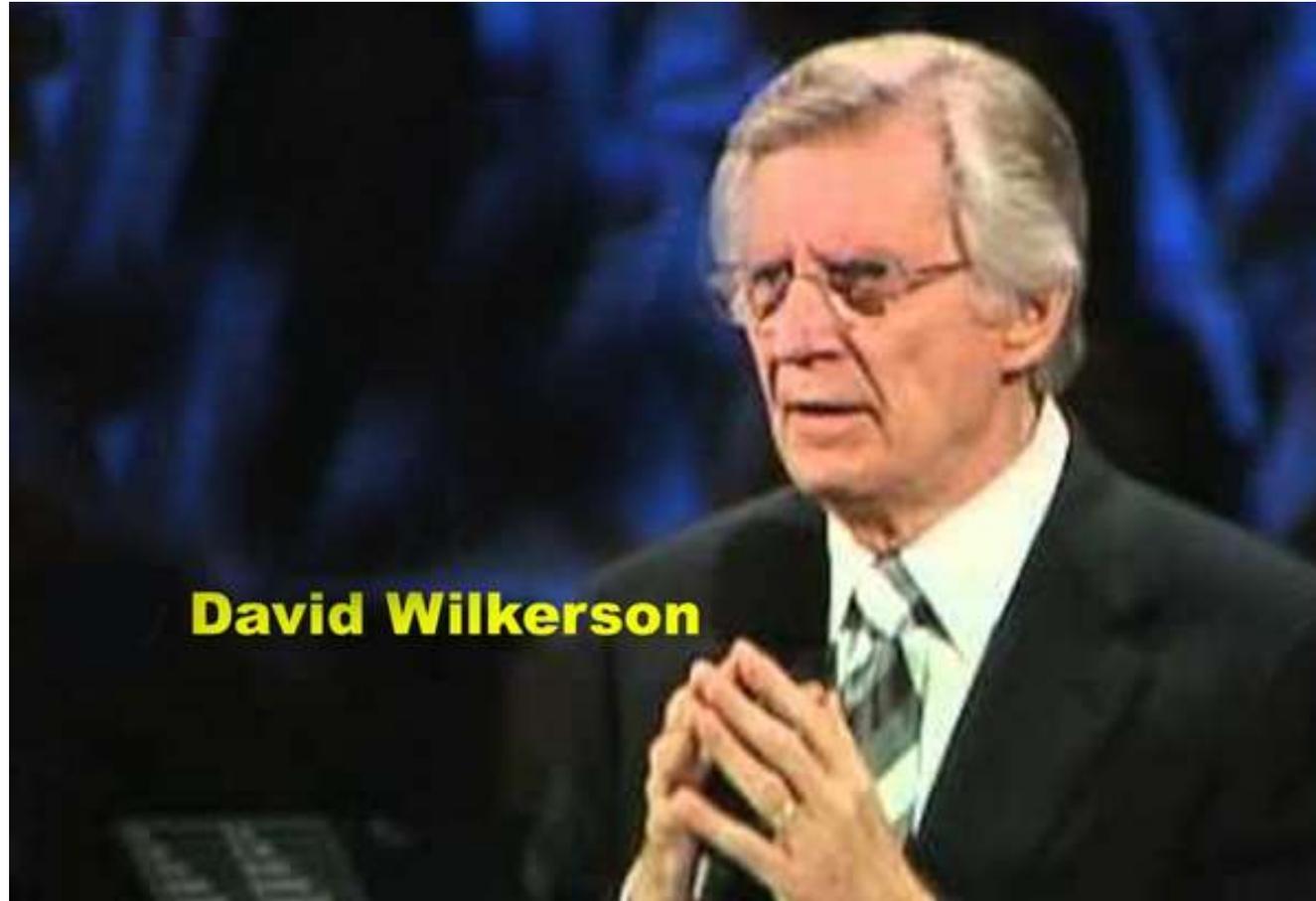


Senior



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Self centred passion is ungodly

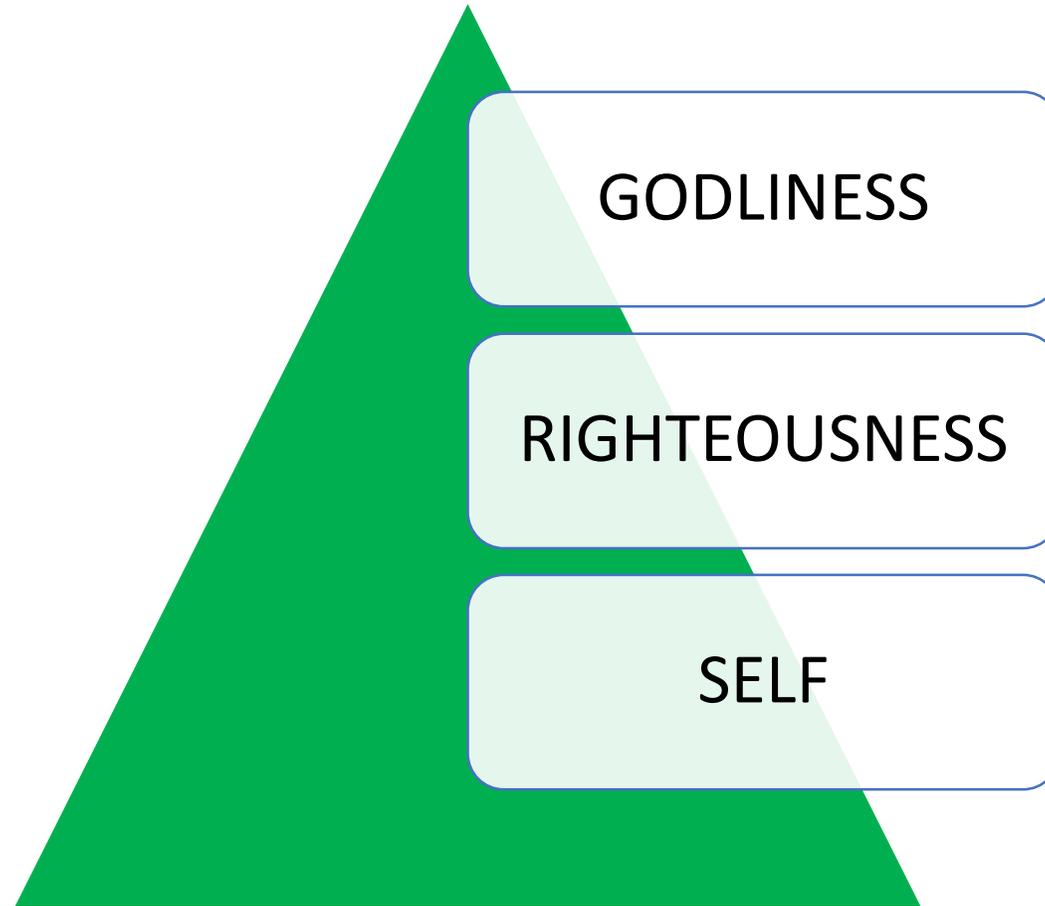


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ORIGIN OF PASSION



GODLINESS

RIGHTEOUSNESS

SELF

PASSIONATE PEOPLE ARE NOT NECESSARILY RIGHT

Moses was passionate about the Israelites but he was not right with God when he killed the Egyptian

Pharisees were passionate about religion but they crucified the son of God

Peter was passionate about Jesus he discouraged Jesus and cut the ear of the servant

Saul was passionate about Judaism but he was hurting God

God and the church have been hurt due to the unrighteousness of passionate men and women repeatedly

GOD ORIENTED PASSION

God oriented
passion is selfless

Not all
righteousness
oriented passion is
of God

God oriented
passion includes
righteousness

MANIFESTATIONS OF PASSION



Conviction



Urgency



Perseverance



Focused



Goal oriented

Passionate apostles

- Philippians 3:14

“I **press on** toward the goal **to win the prize** for **which God has called me heavenward** in Christ Jesus.”

- II Peter 1:10

Therefore, brethren, **be even more diligent** to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble

Challenge

- Are we passionate ?
- What are we passionate about?
- Where is God in it?
- Is Godliness combined with it?
- Is there anything we have to do about this?



Godliness and Passion combined is Powerful



*But those that hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint
Isaiah 40:31*

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