

Our Holy Heartbeats

Text: Matthew 4:1-11
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John said to them, "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

--Matthew 3:11 (ESV)—

Wholly His—Our Holy Calling

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Matthew 28:19-20a (ESV)

"Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10 (ESV)

Question: Do we live so that others might _____?

Wholly His—Our Holy Identity

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. Galatians 2:19b-20a (ESV)

"Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love." Revelation 2:4 (NIV)

Question: Do our lives reflect authentic "_____?"

Wholly His—Our Holy Community

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:13-14 (ESV)

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27

Question: Are we _____ to God and One Another?

Wholly His—Our Holy Heartbeats

"Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said" Matthew 4:1-3a (ESV)

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 1 Corinthians 10:13 (ESV)

For because Jesus himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. Hebrews 2:8 (ESV)

- **God tests to purify our _____**
- **God tests to strengthen our _____**
- **God tests to clarify and confirm our _____**

Heartbeat 1: Who is Our Ultimate _____?

But he answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:4 (ESV)

Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work." John 4:34 (ESV)

Heartbeat 2: Do we Really _____ or _____?

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Matthew 4:7 (ESV)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6 (ESV)

Heartbeat 3: Do We Typically Serve _____ or _____?

Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, " 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.' " Matthew 4:10 (ESV)

And going a little farther Jesus fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will."

Matthew 26:39 (ESV)