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II Corinthians 5:9-21

Indifference – the lack of concern, the loss of purpose. Indifference robs power and limits impact. Indifference is lived among the many people who long ago lost their hope, lost their vision, lost their passion.

Passion - fuel, energy, commitment, determination. Passion flows from a vision that stirs action. Passion is often the difference between a church that is changing the lives of people and one that lies on the outskirts of the community wasting away.

Reading through II Corninthians it is obvious that Paul is a passionate man! Even when things go wrong, when life is hard, when rejection is everywhere, he seems relentless. His relentlessness pours out, and what comes out is passion and mission that changes the world.

Today, may the Lord stir within us of GraceRiver a vision of what is at stake, who is at stake, and the reality that we are likely the only connection many people will have between where they are now and Heaven.

This is a call to passion!

- 1. Keep the main thing, the main thing! **Preparing people** to meet the Lord. II Corinthians 5:9-10
- 2. **Spiritual passion** surrounds everything we do.

II Corinthians 5:11-14

Jesus' death and resurrection alters the <u>whole of life</u>.
 II Corinthians 5:14-21