

ATTITUDES OF NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY

1 Thessalonians 1:2-8

INTRODUCTION

- A. Attitudes determine our destiny.
- B. Attitudes affect everything that we do in life.

DISCUSSION

- I. ATTITUDES OF NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY – ZEAL.
 - A. First century Christians were zealous.
 - 1. Acts 2:42
 - 2. Acts 4:18-20.
 - 3. Acts 5:42.
 - 4. Acts 8:4.
 - 5. Acts 18:25-28.
 - B. We too are to be zealous. Titus 2:11-14.
 - C. Notice 3 Things:
 - 1. Not enough just to be excited for the Lord. Romans 10:2.
 - 2. Godly sorrow yields zeal. 2 Corinthians 7:10-11.
 - 3. It is contagious. 2 Corinthians 9:1-2.
- II. ATTITUDES OF NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY – JOY.
 - A. They rejoiced in receiving the gospel.
 - 1. Acts 8:39.
 - 2. Acts 16:34.
 - B. They rejoiced when others received it. Acts 11:18, 23.
 - C. They rejoiced in persecutions.
 - 1. Acts 5:41.
 - 2. Matthew 5:10-12.
 - D. They rejoiced in daily living. Acts 2:46.
 - E. We likewise should be joyous. Philippians 4:4.
- III. ATTITUDES OF NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY – BOLDNESS.
 - A. People noticed their boldness. Acts 4:13
 - B. Prayer helps us to be bold in our work.
 - 1. Acts 4:29-31.
 - 2. Ephesians 6:19-20.

CONCLUSION

- A. Attitudes of New Testament Christianity = Zeal, Joy, and Boldness.
- B. What is our attitude toward what the Bible teaches about?
 - 1. Salvation.
 - 2. Worship.
 - 3. Faithfulness.