

SCRIPTURE:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him (Ephesians 1: 3-4).

MATERIALS LIST:

(1) Propane

MAIN MESSAGE:

Jesus Christ among should be our passion. He gave everything for us and we should give everything for Him!

SONG: "Because He Lives"

LESSON:

We love to cook out as a family, well maybe I should say I love to grill a good steak, or chicken, or even a good old hamburger. I love the smell; I love the way it makes the food taste. Overall, I'm just a huge fan of grilling out. Every now and then there can be a few frustrating moments like with anything else. You can get your grill to hot and burn the chicken when you didn't mean to, you can run out of propane or charcoal. I use a gas grill, which means that I have to use propane in order to cook on the grill. When loosening off the propane bottle, it releases the gas through hoses up to a switch that creates a spark to light the gas in a controlled situation. Without this fuel, I would not be able to use my grill to cook.

In our lives, there are a lot of things that fuel us to do different things. Some of use like to work out, and what fuels us is how it makes us feel or look. Some people love to cook, and the passion that drives them could be to eat or just the idea of making something that other people love and can enjoy. I think you get the idea.

So now the question: what should fuel our passion for God? I want to explore this question. We know that God is the creator of the world and of us (Gen. 1&2). We know that He has given a way for us to be saved in order that we may get to heaven. Now here is where the real fuel is found.

"God sent His son, they called Him Jesus, He came to love heal and forgive; He lived and died to buy my pardon, and empty grave is there to prove my savior lives. Because He lives I can face tomorrow, Because He live all fear is gone, because I know He holds the future and life is worth the living just because He lives" (William J. Gaither).

Our passion for God should be because He loved us first and gave His son to die for us! We have a God that is full of grace, mercy, kindness, patience, goodness and power, and most of all, he wants us there in heaven with Him! Let us keep fueling our passion and desire for Him each day of our lives that our families may get to Heaven!

PRAYER: Make us Your workers, Your servants. Help us to always have the passion for your work and not our own.