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**Speaker:** Pastor Tim McCardel

**Message Series:** Revelation: The Drama of Good vs. Evil

**Today's Message:** Hating Evil ... Yet Spreading God's Love and Joy

**Last Week:** "Revelation reveals the plan of God to wipe the world clean of evil... It takes us into the heart of evil; defeats it, and leads us triumphantly to the worlds true destiny." ~ Scot McKnight

\* **C.S. Lewis:** "When the whole world is running to a cliff - the one who is running in the opposite way appears to have lost his mind."

John 3:17-19

John 17:3, 6-8

John 8:31, 32

⇒ Dissident disciples have their eyes trained to discern the signs of Babylon and they recognize the sinister symptoms of something disordered.

Romans 11:36-12:2

⇒ The true follower of Christ is not the one who knows the most but the one who faithfully loves and allows the Spirit to control.

1 Peter 1:3-7

## **1. To Be Near God and To Have God Near Us Is The Whole Purpose of Human Life**

Revelation 3:19, 20

James 4:6 (The Message)

**The BAD News:** Many of us are half-hearted in turning to Christ and God resists such a heart.

**The Good News:** God cannot resist the humble, broken heart that has truly repented.

James 4:8

Psalms 51:17

Luke 15:18-24

## **2. Our Father God's Excitement Over Lost People Coming to Him**

Luke 15:1-5

Luke 15:7-10

Revelation 3:19

Psalms 63:1

John 7:37-39

\* "The love of God can defeat the foolishness of man, the seduction of the tempting voices, and even the deliberate rebellion of the heart." ~Barclay