Complacency and Doubt

Scripture: Zephaniah 1:12

Series: The Danger & Cure of Complacency

Sunday, January 22, 2017

Overview

As professing Christians, most of us experience real times of complacency, which is more dangerous than we know. This complacency leads to unbelief, which in turn leads to idolatry. **Only the Gospel can revive the unbelieving heart of complacency.**

Corroborating Texts

Romans 8:31-39

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why is spiritual complacency (or apathy) so dangerous?
- 2. How can apathy lead to unbelief? In what ways have you found yourself doubting during times of apathy?
- 3. How can unbelief lead to idolatry? During times of unbelief in your own life, what do you tend to put your trust in instead?
- 4. What is the solution to our apathy? How do we move away from apathy and move towards a strong, zealous, joyful faith? [The cure is Jesus—we have to go back to the salvation we have in Jesus—not "re-committing" (in the altar call sense), but remembering. Once we understand Jesus is ours and we are His, our hearts loses their coldness.]
- 5. In what ways have you tried to deal with your apathy unsuccessfully?
- 6. Pray as a group for God to kill our apathy—to change our hearts and awaken us to the glory of the gospel. Pray for one another—that we would "get close to the fire" of the gospel by looking at intently, seeing the profound truth that God loves sinners, and dwelling upon all our spiritual blessings in Christ. [Perhaps there are individuals in your group that are really struggling with complacency—provide an opportunity to pray for them specifically.]

