



GULF SHORES
CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TOXIC CHRISTIAN LIVING

Apathy

Introduction: We are studying a series on TOXIC CHRISTIAN LIVING. We seek to recognize the things that happen when we DON'T give God our best. What gets in our way? What things can cripple our own spirituality along with those around us? We need to recognize these enemies and defeat them before they become toxic. Today we are going to talk about apathy. We have to realize that materialism sends us in the wrong direction (**Romans 12:11-12**). Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. Biblical Principles

- A. Apathy reflects insincerity (**Joshua 24:14-15**).
- B. Apathy resembles laziness (**Proverbs 15:19**).
- C. Apathy rejects godliness (**Zephaniah 1:12-13**).
- D. Apathy resists good work (**Haggai 1:7-9**).
- E. Apathy restrains spirituality (**I Thessalonians 5:18-22**).

II. Biblical Examples

- A. Ham (**Genesis 6-10**)
- B. King Saul (**I Samuel 9-31**)
- C. Gomer (**Hosea 1-3**)
- D. Demas (**Philemon 24, Colossians 4:14, II Timothy 4:10**)
- E. The Laodiceans (**Revelation 3:14-22**)

Conclusion: Remember what Paul said in **Romans 12:11-12**. We need to remind people of the difference between the darkness light. Maybe God has given us this generation for a reason. We must not be silent or indifferent. We need to be concerned about our own spiritual walk. We need to change the things that are destroying us. Toxic Christian living consists of a hypocritical walk. Are you ready to defeat these enemies? Then take action immediately. Do you believe in Jesus? Why are you waiting to make things right? Don't let apathy rule your life! It's time to give God your very best!