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**Main Idea:** God must be our utmost affection.

**Breaking the Ice**

* What is something that you are intensely passionate about?

**Excavating the Truth**

* Reread Col 3:2; 1 Pt 1:8; Ps 26:10; Rev 2:1-7
* How do our first three passages relate our affections to the corrective action necessary in Revelation 2:1-7?
  + Colossians 3:2
  + 1 Peter 1:8
  + Psalm 26:8

**Applying the Truth Personally**

* When I first fell in love with Christ what marked that period in my spiritual journey? (emphasis on affections not circumstances)
* What is one area of my life that displays greater affection on earthly realities than heavenly realities?
* What step should I take to cultivate passion for God in my life this week?

**Applying the Truth Congregationally**

* Does our weekly gathering manifest an affectionate worship of God? Why or Why not?

* How can we as a church keep each other accountable in having proper affections when going through trials?

**Digging Deeper**

* Go to Psalms and journal the locations you see the Psalmist expressing or stating a passion for God and His Word. Choose to memorize 1 to 5 of those verses.
* Compare Revelation 2:1-7 with Paul’s letter to the Ephesians and write down the ways losing their first love would have impacted the church.
* Read Treatise of Affections by Jonathan Edwards.

**Looking Ahead to Next Sunday**

* Pray for our Missionary Roger Bergman and his family as they will be with us.