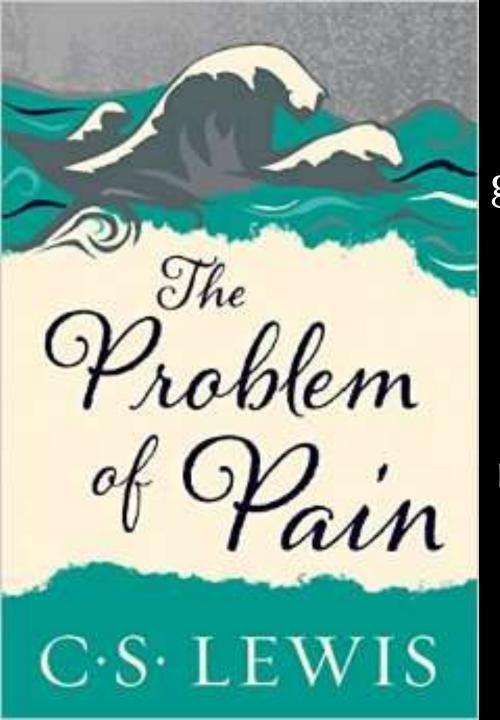
What Holiness Requires One Word #4

Loving people can get angry, not in spite of their love but because of it. In fact, the more closely and deeply you love people in your life, the angrier you can get. Have you noticed that? When you see people who are harmed or abused, you get mad. If you see people abusing themselves, you get mad at them, out of love. Your senses of love and justice are activated together, not in opposition to each other.

Tim Keller

If you see people destroying themselves or destroying other people and you don't get mad, it's because you don't care. You're too absorbed in yourself, too cynical, too hard. The more loving you are, the more ferociously angry you will be at whatever harms your beloved. And the greater the harm, the more resolute your opposition will be.

Tim Keller



"We want not so much a Father but a grandfather in heaven, a God who said of anything we happened to like doing, 'What does it matter so long as they are contented?"

- C.S. Lewis, The Problem of Pain

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Unrepentant Hearts

Romans 2:5-6 – 5 But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, 6 who will render to each according to His deeds...

Causes of Wrath

Selfish Ambition

Romans 2:8 – but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation.

Causes of Wrath

Disobedient Lives

Romans 1:18-19 – 18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them.

Causes of Wrath

Perfect Obedience

Philippians 2:8 – Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

What Jesus Does

Self-Sacrifice

Luke 22:42 – "Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done."

What Jesus Does

Divine Forgiveness

1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 - 9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him.

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