

A large warning sign with a red border and a grey background, featuring a black exclamation mark in the center. The sign is set against a dark grey grid background with yellow and black diagonal hazard stripes at the top and bottom.

**Danger, Love Ahead**

**Three Part Passion**

## Recap

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for our “God is a **consuming fire.**” **Hebrews 12:29**

Do not **quench** the Spirit. **1 Thessalonians 5:19**

For this reason I remind you to **fan into flame** the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. **1 Timothy 1:6-7**

**The fervour is spiritual, not emotional**

# Recap

## Biblical Passion

**faithfulness + spiritual excitement + serving God**

**Don't be unfaithful, keep your excitement for  
life when you stay focused on God**

**God is love**  
**1 John 4:8**

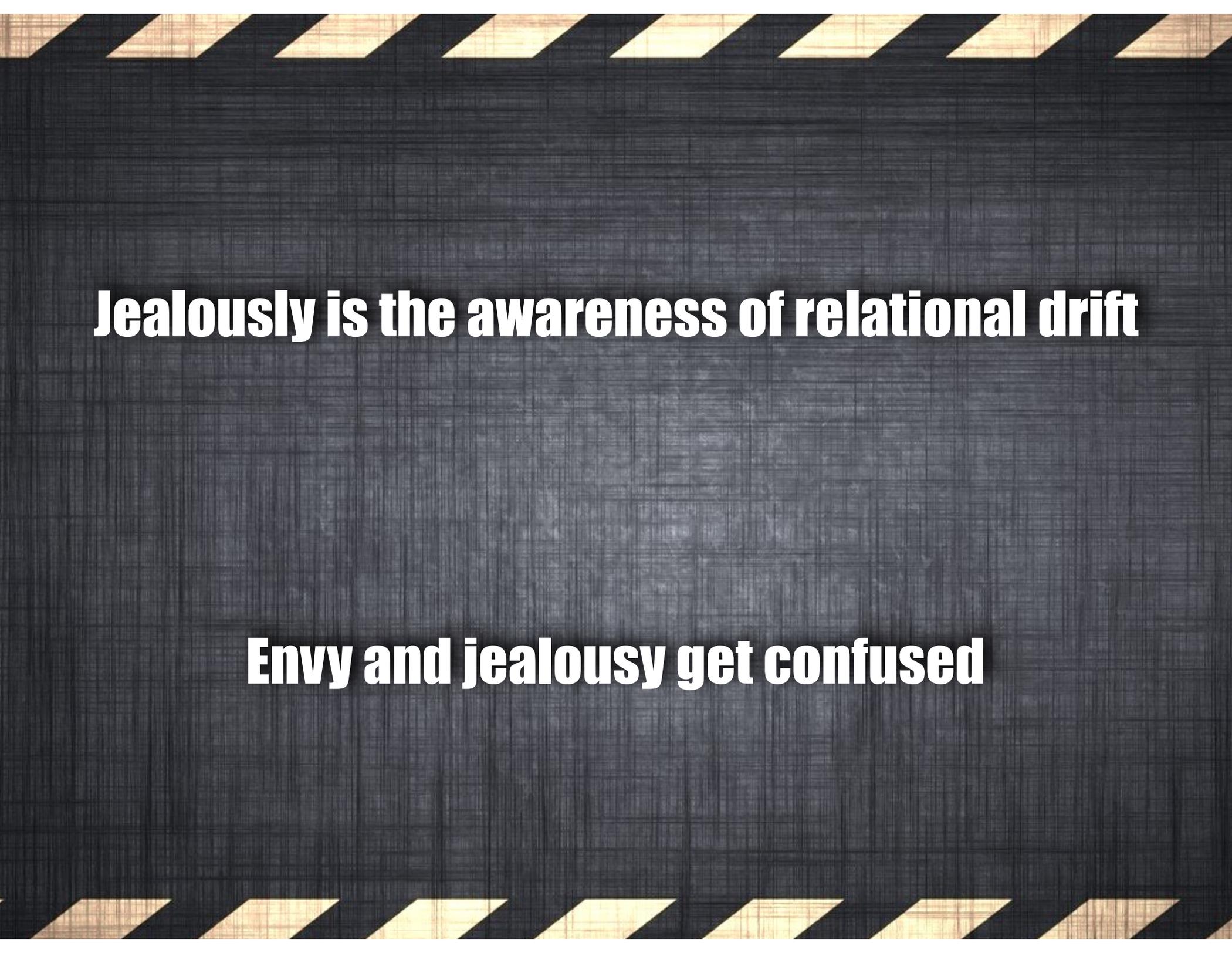
**But what kind of love?**

**Do not worship any other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God. Exodus 34:14**

**You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, Exodus 20:5**

**For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God. Deuteronomy 4:24**

**I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him. 2 Corinthians 11:2**



**Jealousy is the awareness of relational drift**

**Envy and jealousy get confused**

## **Human Jealousy**

**It has overtones of selfishness, suspicion, and distrust, and implies a hideous resentment or hostility toward other people because they enjoy some advantage. It is possessive, demanding, and overbearing; and that is repulsive. It stifles freedom and individuality, it degrades and demeans, it breeds tension and discord, it destroys friendships and marriages. We view jealousy as a horrible trait and we hate it.**

## **Human Jealousy**

**When Rachel saw that she was not bearing Jacob any children, she became jealous of her sister. So she said to Jacob, "Give me children, or I'll die!" Genesis 30:1**

**You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? 1 Corinthians 3:3**



**Christianity understood biblically is seen as a  
relationship**

**But not just any relationship, the most sacred of  
relationships, marriage**

**God's jealousy stems from His understanding of  
what our relationship is supposed to be**



For your **Maker is your husband**—the Lord Almighty is his name— **Isaiah 54:5**

because they broke my covenant, **though I was a husband to them,**” declares the Lord. **Jeremiah 31:32**

“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” **This is a profound mystery**—but I am talking about Christ and the church.” **Ephesians 5:31-32**

Jesus answered, “How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. But the time will come when the **bridegroom will be taken from them,** and on that day they will fast. **Mark 2:19-20**

**The root idea in the Old Testament word jealous is to become intensely red. It seems to refer to the changing colour of the face or the rising heat of the emotions which are associated with intense zeal or fervour over something dear to us. In fact, both the Old and New Testament words for jealousy are also translated “zeal.” Being jealous and being zealous are essentially the same thing in the Bible. God is zealous—eager about protecting what is precious to Him.**



**Love is foundational**

**Desire is instructional**

**Passion is directional**

# Passion is Directional

The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life's **worries, riches and pleasures,** and they **do not mature.** **Luke 8:14**

**Your passions can only be fulfilled fully and completely in God**

## **Desire is Instructional**

**Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, **arm yourselves also with the same attitude**, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin. As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. **1 Peter 4:1-2****

**Our hearts are revealed by our desires**



**Love is Foundational**

**Love is the language of creation**

# **Love is Foundational**

**A healthy love has limits and limits you**

**God's love has boundaries and those boundaries are what keep us relationally pure and behaviourally consistent**

**It also moves us to Christlikeness**

## **Love is Foundational**

Dear friends, let us love one another, **for love comes from God**. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. **This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.** This is love: not that we loved God, **but that he loved us** and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, **God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.** **1 John 4:7-12**



**The Lord your God is with you,  
the Mighty Warrior who saves.  
He will take great delight in you;  
in his love he will no longer rebuke you,  
but will rejoice over you with singing.”**

**Zephaniah 3:17**

**“My child, don’t make light of the Lord’s discipline, and don’t give up when he corrects you. For the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as his child.” [Hebrews 12:6](#)**

**Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. [1 John 4:7](#)**

**But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:4-5**

**Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments. [Deuteronomy 7:9](#)**

**But from everlasting to everlasting  
the Lord's love is with those who fear him,  
and his righteousness with their children's  
children— **Psalm 103:17****

**The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying:  
“I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.**

**Jeremiah 31:3**

**And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” [Revelations 21:3-4](#)**

**See, I have engraved you on the palms  
of my hands; [Isaiah 49:16](#)**