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LOVING



GROWING



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Purity despite Deception

- Barnabas is a picture of selflessness
- Ananias is a picture of selfishness

There is no good action or intention that sin cannot pervert.

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Purity despite Deception

- Ananias & Sapphira wanted a reputation they did not deserve

In the church, sinful gain always comes at the cost of God's glory.

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Purity despite Deception

- Jesus' 3rd test: bow the knee to Satan
 - ↳ the test of salvation without sacrifice
 - ↳ so for us: no sanctification without sacrifice

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Proclamation despite Persecution

- those who reject God ...are without excuse
- those who love God ...are encouraged

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Proclamation despite Persecution

Regardless of persecution, the purpose & goal of the church does not change.

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Persistence despite Intimidation

Never worry about what might be offensive in the gospel, but about what might be offensive in you.

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Prudence despite Division

- division compromises the witness of the church
- preaching is not a distraction from reality
 - ↳ conviction of sin leading to repentance
 - ↳ faith encouraged to hold fast to mercy & hope

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Prudence despite Division

The church that fails to preach the Word will fail to shepherd souls.

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