

Introduction

- I. The living and powerful Word of God is like a scalpel that cuts open our hearts to see what is found in them.
- II. The Word of God cuts us open by showing us how we must live: delight in all righteousness.

Called to Delight in Righteousness

I. **What This Means**

A. We are called to hate all sin with our whole heart and *delight* in all righteousness

1. Notice that this is a matter of the heart. This is the emphasis in Deut. 10:12, 13, 16.

2. Those who love God and seek God hate all sin at all times with all their hearts.

3. Positively, that we always delight in righteousness with our whole heart.

B. This is the calling that arises out of the command that we not covet. Coveting is the sin of desiring what belongs to someone else.

II. **What We Learn**

A. We learn something about ourselves: we have a small beginning of this obedience.

B. We learn that we have everything we need in God Himself. Deut. 10:20-22

III. **What We Need**

A. We need the right preaching of the law - preaching that requires obedience and righteousness and forsaking the way of sin.

B. Through this preaching we grow in sanctification.