PLENARY 6

ALLINUNTIL

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We need to reverse engineer our life!





Know the End-Game!

A four-fold End-Game Focus, as seen in 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13 (ESV)





A. The End-Game Focuses on GOD, As He Directs Us



1 THESSALONIANS 3:11 ESV

"Now may our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus, DIRECT OUR WAY to you ..."

1. In a world of many voices ...





2. To discern God's voice, there are four key considerations:

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Discern the source

Yield your ego to God

Ask the Lord for wisdom

Learn from each encounter





B. The End-Game Focuses on COMMUNITY, As He Unites Us



1 THESSALONIANS 3:12 ESV

"... and may the Lord make you increase and abound IN LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER and for all, as we do for you ..."

1. Unity is mission-critical.



2. Disunity is harmful for four reasons:



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It divides the body of Christ.

It propagates a culture of mistrust and suspicion.

It surfaces

competitiveness

and strife.

It compromises our <u>mission</u>, and brings shame to the Lord.



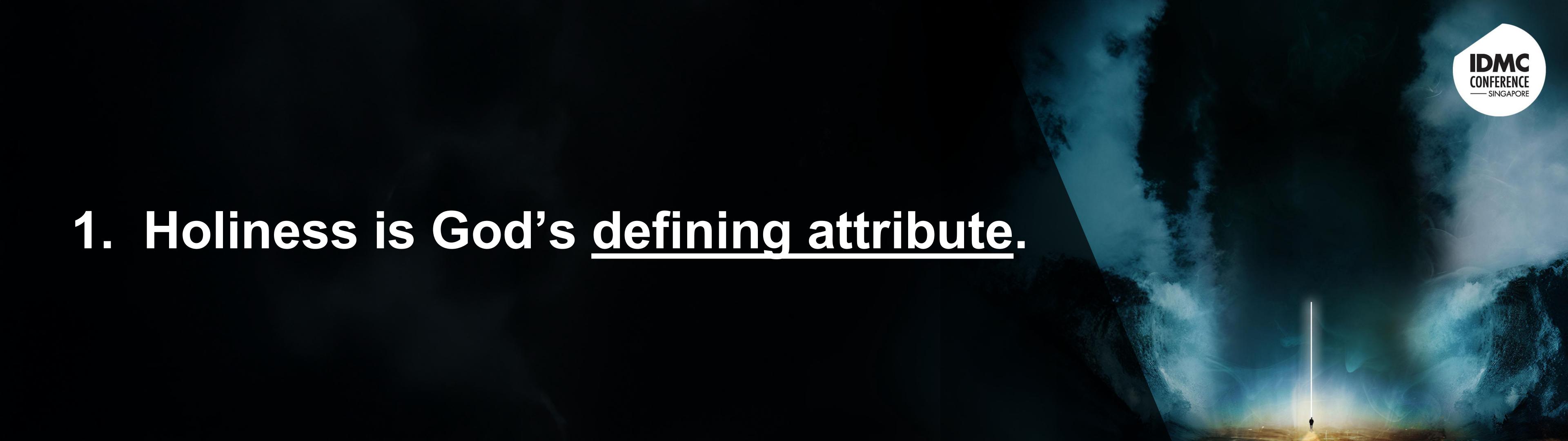


C. The End-Game Focuses on <u>CALLING</u>, As He Sanctifies Us



1 THESSALONIANS 3:13a ESV

"... so that He may establish your hearts blameless IN HOLINESS before our God and Father ..."



2. We've got to disciple towards a revival of Holiness!







D. The End-Game Focuses on CHRIST, As He Returns For Us



1 THESSALONIANS 3:13b ESV

"... at the COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS with all His saints."

There are three basic responses to the imminent return of Christ



1. The "SO WHAT" Response

The Apathetic Christian!



2. The "SO HOW" Response

The Anxious Christian!



3. The "SO THAT" Response

The Awakened Christian!







The Quiet War!

Satan's Seven Deadly Strategies



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Make
Pleasure the
Highest Goal

Destroy the Idea of Absolute Truth

Redefine Identity

Normalize
Busyness and
Burnout

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Hijack Their Heroes

Break the Family

Trivialize Sin as Normal and Righteousness as Radical

