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Greetings!

Karyn and I are so thankful you've clicked this weeks *SelahGram*.

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Guard Your Heart!



A few weeks ago, I watched my #1 ranked Texas Longhorns fall in defeat to highly-ranked rival Texas Tech after an amazing comeback went for naught as time expired. I've been through this same scenario several times with various sporting events. Admittedly, I'm pretty "enthusiastic" about my sports. Following the painful loss, I drove my Dad back to his apartment recounting "what could have been" & the near misses-the dropped interception with 8 seconds left, the key injuries, the possible national championship in the balance... A few minutes later returning to our home (slowly recovering my senses) I found myself strongly apologizing to God through tear blurred eyes. (Again, I've been through this before.)

I was overwhelmed with the conviction and regret that it had been awhile since I had expressed that much passion and fervency toward Him. He designed me passion-capable, not because He likes sports... but first, that I would learn to apply it toward Him!

Father, I repent that it's so easy for me to reach hi- intensity about this and yet often reaching toward You seems so foreign to me.

I'm confident God doesn't mind my aggressive competitiveness, and it doesn't really matter if you're wired



In Conclusion:

Remember, it's not just sports that can threaten to consume the fire God has inherently formed within each heart. The devil will use anything he can trying to scatter the fire ... your interests, your desires or even your anger, your frustration or your fear. *"Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life."* Pro.4: 24 (NLT) The NKJV says, **"Guard your heart..."** Selah!

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for hi-intensity or low--so long as however you are wired, nothing else ignites your heart and captures your focus quite like a face-2-face encounter with Father. Nothing.

The name "Jim" is written in a large, orange, cursive script. Below the name is a detailed black and white illustration of a feather.

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