

Life in the Word

Cornerstone Sermon-based Life Group Lesson



Sermon Series: **1 John Series**

Sermon Title: **Ways of the World**

Scripture Passage: **1 John 2:15-17**

Getting Started Sharing from personal experience

In what ways have you slowly been giving your life over to the world?

What has been a beacon of realization that you were going down that road?

In what ways has God redeemed your worldliness?

Observation Discovering the context

In what ways is John contrasting the love for God and each other with the love for the world?

What are some traps and pitfalls when it comes to the desires of the flesh, desires of the eyes, and pride of life?

Interpretation Discovering the meaning

What is the definition of the word, "world" in this passage?

How can you come to grips with what John is saying about how the love of the world leaves no room for the love of the Father?

How often do we, as Christians, try and justify our sins? Does that truly make us feel guilt-free?

John again brings in this word, abide. What are the requirements of abiding forever with God? What does that look like in action for our lives?

How can we not love the things of the world, and yet, be in the world to stand for truth?

How does personal evangelism, in both word and deed, factor into this passage?

Core Truths Discovering Biblical truth

In your own words, share at least one core truth God has shown you in this week's study and why it is timely or significant for you.

Practice Makes Progress Putting knowledge into practice

What action is the Lord prompting you to take this week as a result of being in His Word?

Worth Memorizing

Scripture:

¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life^[e]—is not from the Father but is from the world. ¹⁷And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever. (1 John 2:15-17)

Prayer Time

How can your Life Group pray for you this week?

Praise Time

How has God blessed you and answered prayer this week?