

1 John Pt. 7

So You May Know You Believe

1. A believer does not love the _____ but does the _____ of _____.

1 John 2:15-17 (NASB)

¹⁵ Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

¹⁶ For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

¹⁷ The world is passing away, and *also* its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

What is “loving the world”?

2. Loving the world is the over desires of the _____, the over desires of the _____, and the obsessive desires of the _____.

It's ok to eat to live, but not ok to live to eat

It's ok to spend to live but not ok to live to spend

It's ok to work to live but not live to work

It's ok to play but not ok to live to play

It's ok to have sex within marriage but not ok to live for sex

Genesis 3: 6

⁶ When the woman saw that the tree was good for food (lust of the flesh), and that it was a delight to the eyes (Lust of the eyes), and that the tree was desirable to make one wise (pride of life), she took from its fruit and ate;

Matthew 4:3-10

³ And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread (Lust of the flesh)Then the devil took* Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ and said* to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down for it is written,

'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU" (pride of life.....Again, the devil took* Him to a very high mountain and showed* Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory (lust of the eyes);⁹ and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me."

The devastating power of loving the world

3. Your ultimate love in the _____, fuels your immediate _____.

Anger is an emotional response to protect a love

Hate is the emotional response to avenge a love

Depression is an emotional response that mourns a love

Fear is an emotional response to possibly losing a love

A lie is the act of protecting a love

Greed is the act of feeding a love

Gossip is the act of nursing a love

Swearing is the act of proclaiming a love

4. Your ultimate loves generally _____ your _____ destiny.

If your Ultimate love is money, you will never have enough

If your Ultimate love is yourself, you will never have a relationship

If your Ultimate love is fame, you will be disappointed

If your ultimate love is respect, you will be angry, mad and bitter

If your Ultimate love is health/beauty, you will be obsessed

If your Ultimate love is your work, you usually lose both family and work

If your Ultimate love is God, by Him all blessings flow from now into eternity

How to not love the world

5. Prioritize your love by _____ it down and then _____ your love by your _____.

6. Make _____ your _____ love and _____, second.