

“Love Not the World!”

I John 2:12-17

Introduction:

“The World” - The values of a Godless system

*** *This world system and the things in it are not worthy of our love!***

Why should believers not love the world?

I. Worldliness is INCONSISTENT for anyone who is saved (v.12-14)
(Love for the world's system & things is unfitting for someone who knows God and His Word)

II. Worldliness is DANGEROUS to your closeness to God (v.15)
(Love for the world's system & things forfeits your capacity to love God as you should)

III. Worldliness is a VANITY that does not have its origin in God (v.16)
(Love for the world's system & things stems from a worldly (satanic) deception)

A. The lust of the flesh - The world's vain pleasure

B. The lust of the eyes - The world's vain possessions

C. The pride of life - The world's vain prestige

IV. Worldliness is FOOLISH because of the transient (temporary) nature of the world (v.17)
(Love for the world's system & things is unwise because the world and its things are here today and gone tomorrow)