

The Love that God Hates

1 John 2:15-17

- I. The _____ (15a)
- II. The _____ (15b-17)
 - A. The world is _____ (15-16)
 - 1. The love of God is _____ (15b)
 - 2. The things of this world are _____ (16)
 - B. The world is _____ (17)
- III. The _____
 - A. _____ - Love of _____
 - B. _____ - Love of _____
 - C. _____ - Love of _____
 - D. _____ - Love of _____
 - E. _____ - Love of _____
 - F. _____ - Love of _____
 - G. _____ - Love of _____

Whither so fast, my friend? What meaneth this rising so early and going to bed late, eating the bread of carefulness? Why this diligence, why these contrivances, why these savings and hoardings of riches and wealth? To what end is all this care and counsel? "Alas!" saith one, "it is to get that which is enough in and of this world for me and my children, to prefer them, to raise an estate for them, which, if not so great as others, may yet be a competency; to give them some satisfaction in their lives and some reputation in the world." Fair pretenses, neither shall I ever discourage any from the exercise of industry in their lawful callings; but yet I know that with many this is but a pretense and covering for a shameful engagement of their affections unto the world. Wherefore, in all these things, be persuaded sometimes to have an eye to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. Behold how he is set before us in the gospel, poor, despised, reproached, persecuted, nailed to the cross, and all by this world. Whatever be your designs and aims, let his cross continually interpose between your affections and this world. If you are believers, your hopes are within a few days to be with him forevermore. Unto him you must give an account of yourselves, and what you have done in this world.

- John Owen