

# Weekly Devotional Questions

## Do Not Love the World

Text: 1 John 2:15-17

### Monday — Return to the Text: What Does “the World” Mean?

1. Read 1 John 2:15-17 slowly. Why is this warning so strong (“Do not love the world”)?
2. According to the sermon, what are the three possible meanings of “world,” and which one is John using here?
3. How does the passage distinguish between being *in* the world and being *of* the world?
4. Ask the Lord to reveal any area where your affections may be drifting toward the world.

### Tuesday — Understand: The Desires of the Flesh, Eyes, and Pride

1. Read Genesis 3:1-6 and 1 John 2:16. How does the temptation of Eve mirror the three categories in the sermon?
2. Why are the “desires of the flesh, desires of the eyes, and pride of life” not from the Father?
3. Which of these three areas do you find most tempting in your daily life (sensual sins, covetousness, or self-exalting pride)?
4. How have you seen these worldly desires promoted in culture around you?

### Wednesday — Gospel Focus: Christ Overcame the World

1. Read John 15:18-19 and 1 John 4:4. Why does the world hate believers, and how does this actually encourage us?
2. How does union with Christ give us victory over the desires of the world?
3. The sermon says doing God’s will is evidence—not the cause—of salvation. How does this truth free you from performance-based Christianity?
4. Thank Jesus that He resisted every temptation perfectly in your place.

### Thursday — Examine: Where Are Your Affections?

1. Read Romans 12:2 and Matthew 6:24. What does it mean that you cannot serve two masters?
2. The sermon asks: “What master do you love?” Where do your time, money, thoughts, and entertainment reveal your true loves?
3. Where have you noticed a gap between what you profess and what you actually desire?
4. Pray for the Holy Spirit to create a deeper hatred for sin and greater love for Christ.

### Friday — Respond: Walking in the Light

1. Read Galatians 5:16-25. How does walking by the Spirit counteract the works of the flesh?
2. What practical steps can you take this week to “renew your mind” and reject worldly patterns?
3. The sermon mentions sanctification as a process. In what area are you seeing slow but real growth?
4. Choose one specific worldly desire to actively fight against this week through prayer and accountability.

### Saturday — Relationships: The World Hates Us

1. Read John 15:18-16:4. How should we respond when the world opposes or mistreat us?
2. The sermon says persecution can be a sign we are shining as light. Have you experienced any form of this?
3. How can you love your neighbor while refusing to love the world’s system?

4. Who in your life needs to hear the hope of the gospel because they are trapped in worldly desires?

**Sunday — Hope: Abiding Forever**

1. Read Revelation 21:1-8. What comfort does the passing away of this world give you?
2. The sermon emphasizes that true believers persevere by grace. How does this doctrine give you assurance?
3. Where do you need to bring your gaps (wrong desires, misplaced loves) to Jesus this week?
4. Pray: “Lord, expel worldly love from my heart by the superior power of affection for Christ. Let me abide in You forever.”