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## ***The Love Of The World***

### **Those Who Walk In Light See Clearly And Know Where To Go**

**2 Corinthians 4:4** - *Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News...*

**Isaiah 9:2** - *The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine.*

**Isaiah 55:6-8** - *Seek the LORD while you can find him. Call on him now while he is near. <sup>7</sup> Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. Let them turn to the LORD that he may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for he will forgive generously. <sup>8</sup> "My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the LORD. "And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine.*

### **Turning To God Means Rejecting Our Old Habits, Thoughts, and Activities**

- 1) **Transformed Living.**
- 2) **Renewed Thinking.**
- 3) **Passionate Pursuit.**

### **Don't Just Come To Church, Be The Church**

**1 John 2:15-17** - *Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. <sup>16</sup> For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world. <sup>17</sup> And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever.*

### **Don't Love The World's Value System**

**John 15:19** - *The world would love you as one of its own if you belonged to it, but you are no longer part of the world. I chose you to come out of the world, so it hates you.*

## Scripture Sums Up The World's Value System As:

1. A Craving For Physical Pleasure.
2. A Craving For Everything We See.
3. Self-Pride In Our Achievements And Possessions.

**Proverbs 23:17** - *Don't envy sinners, but always continue to fear the LORD.*

## We Can't Be Devoted To Both God And The World At The Same Time

**Matthew 6:33** - *Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.*

- 1) Stunts Our Spiritual Growth.
- 2) Moves Us Away From God.

**2 Timothy 4:9** - *Timothy, please come as soon as you can. <sup>10</sup> Demas has deserted me because he loves the things of this life and has gone to Thessalonica.*

**John 12:25** - *Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity.*

**Matthew 3:8** - *Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God.*