**Sermon: Loving the World
Bible Verses: 1 John 2:15-17**

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A command from God: do not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the world or anything \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1 John 2:15: Loving God and loving the world are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

From the world: things that my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ desire (tastes, touches, sensual desires, smells, etc). In other words, when I am carnally minded and focused on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ things.

From the world: wishing for, or dreaming of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *things* in this world.

From the world: the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that I'm really that important (i.e. "indulging \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is okay").

Jesus told large crowds that they must \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their family to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him (Luke 14).

 **Most of the time we want \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ what the world offers; we want \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**I have a choice to make: do I want this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or do I want \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?**

All things in the world are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_...

All things in the world are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ except things \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.

**Eternal life \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, by enjoying God's presence and learning to abide in him, and it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ends!**

*PRACTICAL QUESTIONS:*

*1) What in my life am I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to give up? What am I trading \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ presence for?*

 *2) Will I "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with God"? Will I abide/dwell with him by knowing him and spending time with him?*

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* Read Luke 14:25-33. Which of these things that Jesus says gets your attention the most, and why?
* Doesn't it seem like Jesus is pushing people away? Why on Earth would he do that? Isn't it better to get followers by promising lots of cool stuff?

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