

WORLDLY? MOI?

I. Definition of World and Worldliness.

Usually think evil and right. Corruption 2Pet 1:4; defilemt, 2:20; Jas 4:4.

1. Orderly, 1Pet 3:3 (5).
2. Headed by Satan, Jn 16:11; 1Jn 5:18.
3. Leaves God out (by counterfeiting). Isa 14:14
Gen 3:5. 2 Tim 3:5. Can't baptize institutns of world by dragging God in and make them godly.

II. Satan tries to make values of godless system attractive. Delusions of world, 1 Jn 2:16-17. God and world incompatible, v 15. Satan delude:

1. Self is #1. v 16. Lust of flesh=strong desires that come from fallen physical nature. Sex, food, comforts, fashion.

Lust of eyes. Strong desires that come thru ey
Being captivated by outward show of things without regard to true value. Riches vs good name. ^{Accomplishments} Fame vs godliness. False values of eyes
Boastful pride of life. Arrogance based on possessions and position. "If feels good, do it"

2. Now is most impt. Vs eternity. Get what you can see. Store up temporal things. v 17.
Col 3:1-2; 2 Cor 4:16-18. Mt 6:19-20.

"Only go around once; get all gusto can"
Truth: God is #1; perspective of eternity impt. ^{Eccl 3:11}
God in by being #1 and by having His perspective

III. Defenses ag world.

2 Cor 6:17 yet have to live. Suicide not ans. ^{16:5. 10}

1. Use but don't abuse, 1Cor 7:31.
Marriage, sadness, hapiness, things.
2. Enjoy but don't love. 1Tim 6:17, 1Jn 2:15.
3. Live but don't conform. Rom 12:2. 1Pet 1:14.

Unfashionable. Yet not absence of only but inner transformtn. Mind is key. Dedicate to be distinct.

Concl. Jas 1:27 cf 1 Pet 1:19. Be like X.