

Fusion Q's – 1 John Do Not Love the World

Discussion Questions

Q1. What does John mean when he says not to love the world?

Q2. What is so dangerous about loving the world?

READ James 4:4 and Romans 12:1-2

Q3. James uses some very heavy language and reinforces what we discussed during the talk tonight. What does he mean when he says not to be friends with the world? Does that mean we should not have friends who are not Christians?

Q4. What does Paul mean when he says to give yourself to God as a "living and holy sacrifice"? What does that even look like?

Q5. Paul says we shouldn't be copying the behaviors and customs of the world. What sort of behaviors and customs is he talking about?

Q6. Paul says we should allow God to change the way we think. What sort of "new thinking" is he talking about?

Q7. How can we keep ourselves from loving the things the world offers us? How can we stop our own cravings from enslaving us?

BIBLE TEXTS

James 4:4 (NLT)

You adulterers! Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (NLT)

And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. ² Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.