



Gospel Community Study Questions

1 John 2:15-17 | In love with the world

Key Passages: 1 John 2:15-17; Romans 8:1-13

Big Idea: *We cannot love both God and the World*

Read and Recap

Read 1 John 2:15-17

Discuss

What does John mean when he uses the word “world” in this passage? What are the ways that sometimes people misinterpret what “world” means here?

What does loving the world look like in our context and why do we need to be warned against it in verse 15?

John lists out the particular ways that we’re drawn into the world in verse 16. Take some time to discuss each one sharing what it means, where we see examples of each one in the bible and what it might look like for us today:

- The desires of the flesh
- The desires of the eyes
- The pride of life

How should the knowledge that “the world is passing away” in verse 17 affect your daily decisions and priorities? How can we practically cultivate an eternal perspective?

What does it look like to choose God's will over the world's temptations in your daily life in reality?

Close & Pray

Read through Romans 8:1-13 and take time some time to pray for each other that the Lord would put to death the deeds of the flesh in our lives and help us live out our status as children of God.

Coming Up

Next week we'll be in 1 John 2:18-27