



Sunday, June 5, 2022
Sermon Series: Walk in God's Light –
Live in God's Love

Title: When Both Love and Hate
Are Required

Text: 1 John 2:12-17

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Big Idea: Apostle John is using the Biblical principle of hating evil, in order to more fully love God, to help believers keep from falling in love with the world.

Reason why believers should not fall in love with the world.

1) Loving the world convinces us to settle for failure.

(1 John 2:12-15 / John 15:19)

2) Loving the world eliminates our love for God.

(1 John 2:15-16 / Genesis 3:6)

Worldliness is not just a matter of outward activity, but of inner attitude.

3) Loving the world is a hopeless future. (1 John 2:17)

The world may be passing away, but God has enacted a miracle of grace through Christ to help us safely land and abide with Him forever.

Study/Discussion Questions for 1 John 2:12-17

- What are some common examples of hating one thing in order to more fully love something more precious?
- Read 1 John 2:12-14. Which of the four title (infant children, Fathers, Young adults, or students) do you currently identify with in your faith?
- How can we exist within the world systems, without giving in to the massive distractions from God, that these systems portray?
- Read 1 John 2:16. What are some current example of those distractions? Which one do you believe American believers most deal with?

- The Bible clearly states that this current world is passing away. How can believers prevent that truth from feeling depressing, but instead use it to find hope in eternity? What activities help feed this hope?