



Sermon Outline
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Loving the Creation Vs.
Loving the Creator

1 John 2:12-17

*** Christ followers don't fight _____ victory.**
We fight _____ victory.

** No matter where you are in your faith journey, you belong to God, you are forgiven through Jesus, and you can live in victory through His Word.*

*** There are several different ways**
"world" is used in Scripture:

1. The _____ world.

Meaning: The earth, the created order, the material universe.

John 1:10b - The **world** was made through Him.

2. The _____ of the world.

Meaning: The humans who inhabit the earth; people in general.

John 3:16a - God so loved the **world**...

3. The _____ of this world.

Meaning: The organized system of human life and culture that is in rebellion against God — moral, spiritual, and cultural values opposed to Him. It's the spiritual dominion or sphere influenced by Satan.

Romans 12:2a - Do not conform to the pattern of this **world**...

1 John 5:19b - The whole **world** is under the control of the evil one.

*** John identifies three _____**
Satan employs.

2 Corinthians 2:11 - ... in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.

1. Lust of the Flesh: The _____ pursuit
of physical satisfaction.

Genesis 3:6 - When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it.

Luke 4:3 - The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

2. Lust of the Eyes: A craving for _____
or worldly assets.

Joshua 7:21a - When I saw in the plunder a beautiful robe from Babylonia, two hundred shekels of silver and a bar of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them.

Luke 4:5a - The devil led him up to a high place and showed Him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world.

3. Pride of Life: The unhealthy pursuit of _____

Isaiah 14:13 - You said in your heart, "I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God."

Luke 4:9 - The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here."

** Satan would like to take our base needs and corrupt them into selfish, sinful behaviors.*

1 John 5:21 - Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

*** Is there anything in this world that's more**
important to you than _____?