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## Love What Matters

1 John 2:15-17

### Correct the Crave

1 John 2:15 | John 3:16 | John 15:18

- a. He is not saying don't love the world of **NATURE**.
- b. He is not saying don't love the world of **HUMANITY**.
- c. He is saying we must not love the world that **HATES** Jesus.

### Find God's Favor

Luke 21:33 | Romans 3:23

- d. Everything in this world will one day **PASS AWAY**.
- e. The world's love is **CONDITIONAL**.
- f. God wants to **REWRITE** the narrative of love.
- g. Will we make the decision to **LOVE** Him?

### It's a Daily Decision

2 Peter 3:9

- h. Everyday we will be **TEMPTED** to give our lives to **SOMETHING** else.
- i. The decision to follow Jesus has to be made **EVERY SINGLE DAY**.

## Life Group Questions

- 1) The apostle says not to love 'the world' or 'the things of the world'. If he's not talking about the physical world (nature) or humanity, as Pastor Terry explained, what 'world' is he talking about?
- 2) The world we aren't to love hates Jesus because He challenged their philosophy. Jesus summed it up in John 5:44. How widespread is this 'truth' that the only thing important is this life, today?
- 3) Why must we not love the world and the things of the world? Discuss in relation to Matthew 6:24. How do you know if you're trying to serve both?

## On Your Own

- 4) What are some minor adjustments you can make in your life now that will have major consequences 1, 2, 5 years from now?
  - a) -Daily time in the word

- b) -Joining a life group
- c) -Volunteering at church
- d) -Spending time with a mentor
- e) -Increasing accountability with others
- f) -Cutting off destructive habits and tendencies

**Make room for the Kingdom in you...**

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

