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Allowing God to Shape Your World View



You have a Worldview

49% of those claiming Christ say that their most likely source of moral guidance in any given situation would be the Bible

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First: We live here, we will meet people that are not Christ followers

Second: We minister here and if our goal is to lead others to Christ then we will need to establish relationships

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Jesus prays we not be taken from this world.

Peter says we are to live good lives amongst the pagans.

Paul urges us to live differently as we wait for Jesus.

John indicates we are to do God's will in the world.

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Living a Seduced Life

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life— comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

1 John 2:15-17

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In Love with the World

When Jesus broached this subject in John 17:14-16 he focused on the confrontation what we deal with

He follows it up with "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,"

Now John is coming in saying love them but do not be in love with them

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The Art of Seduction

to persuade to disobedience or disloyalty

to lead astray usually by persuasion or false promises

to attracts someone to a belief or into a course of action that is inadvisable or foolhardy

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Powerful

"When our emotions are engaged, we often have trouble seeing things as they are."

"It is both imitative and competitive "

"Seduction is a game of psychology, not beauty, and it is within the grasp of any person to become a master at the game. All that is required is that you look at the world."

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An Emotional Level

To make something Seductive you must make it attractive

Seduction is gradual

Seduction is comparative

What could be? What I am lacking?

Ultimately you must choose to be seduced

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"The Lust of the Flesh"

What I Need!

John Starts out both this point and the next with the word lust

The technical definition is to have an intense desire or need.

When you follow that word you get to have a strong or inward desire

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DESIRE

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"The Lust of the Flesh"

What I Need!

In scripture Flesh always connects itself too physical

We all have physical needs

Those physical needs are the easy in for the concept of lust

Lust begins when we become obsessed with meeting the need

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"The Lust of the Flesh"

What I Need!

You say, "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both." The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.

1 Corinthians 6:13

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"The Lust of the Eyes"

What I Want!

Jesus gave us this familiar verse (Matthew 5:28)

Jesus points out a physical sin done in the desire of the mind

We define worldly by external action, but worldly starts with not how you act, but how you think

When we begin to view the world by what I want, funny how want and need begin to blur

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"The Pride of Life"

What I Accomplish!

How do you measure your life successful

In the garden the promise would be you will be like God

Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.

John 17:3-4

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"The Pride of Life"

What Jesus Accomplish?

An Impressive Doctor

Profound Teacher

A Humanitarian

Good Son

Doing
God's Will

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Doing God's Will

This would place him in the Garden

This would lead to unfair trials

This would lead to torture

This would lead to death

**This would lead to the availability
of eternal life through His
resurrection**

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What is Your
"Pride of Life"?

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The Biblical Reality

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