

Review

1. Why are we studying Worldliness?
 1. Increase our alertness.
 2. Repent of our evil influences.
 3. Stay saved.

2. What is the definition of Worldliness and the Scripture we are using to define this word?

Practices, desires and attitudes of the world that are ungodly.

Tit. 2:12

5. What does Phil. 2:12 teach us about our salvation?

Requires work and the right attitude (fear and trembling)

6. Where does Jesus state that His Apostles were “not of the world”?

John 17:14-21

7. Who is the “world” in John 17:14-21?

People who are unbelievers, not earth, not universe.

1 - IS IT SINFUL?

2 - IS IT DOUBTFUL?

3 - IS IT A STUMBLING-BLOCK?

4 - DOES IT STIR LUST?

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Rom. 13:13-14

13 Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy.

14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.

- What will “putting on the Lord Jesus Christ” cause one to do?

MAKE NO PROVISION FOR THE FLESH

- Discussion (make appropriate notes). What are some examples of “making provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts”?

THOSE WHO ARE SERIOUS ABOUT LIVING
“SENSIBLY, RIGHTEOUSLY, AND GODLY” IN
THIS PRESENT WORLD WILL WEIGH, NOT
ONLY WHETHER SOMETHING IS CLEARLY
CONDEMNED, BUT WHETHER IT PROMOTES
AND FOSTERS WORLDLINESS AND
UNGODLY LUSTS—E.G., THE FRIENDS THAT
HAVE, THE PLACES THEY GO, THE THINGS
THEY DO, OR THE ATTITUDES THEY HAVE.

5 - DOES IT INVOLVE
ASSOCIATIONS THAT LEAD TO SIN?

Prov. 1:15

15 My son, do not walk in the way with them. Keep your feet from their path. 16 For their feet run to evil, And they hasten to shed blood.

- Mark the words or phrases in these passages that have to do with who your friends are.

Prov. 13:20

20 He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will suffer harm.

- Now mark the words or phrases that indicate the consequences of the wrong kind of friends.

Prov. 22:24-25

24 Do not associate with a man given to anger; Or go with a hot-tempered man, 25 Lest you learn his ways, And find a snare for yourself.

1 Cor. 5:6

6 Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough?

1 Cor. 15:33

33 Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals."

WILL THE SINCERE DESIRE TO LIVE
“SENSIBLY, RIGHTEOUSLY, AND GODLY” IN
THIS WORLD AFFECT WHO WE CHOOSE AS
OUR FRIENDS? WILL WE CHOOSE THOSE
WHO ENTANGLE US IN ALLIANCES THAT
DRAG US DOWN TO THE WORLD’S WAY OF
THINKING, SPEAKING, AND LIVING?

6 - Is It HONORABLE?

Rom. 12:17

17... Respect what is right in the sight of all men.

Circle the words in the text that answer the question.

I Cor. 10:30-33

31 Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 32 Give no offense either to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God; 33 just as I also please all men in all things, not seeking my own profit, but the profit of the many, that they may be saved.

- Besides whether something is right or wrong in itself, what other considerations will weigh in the Christian's choices?

BOTH GOD AND MAN

**“SENSIBLE, RIGHTEOUS, AND GODLY”
LIVING WILL CAUSE ONE TO TAKE INTO
ACCOUNT WHAT OTHERS CONSIDER RIGHT
AND WRONG AND DO NOTHING THAT IS
DETRIMENTAL TO THEIR SPIRITUAL WELL
BEING.**

7 - HAVE YOU PUT CHRIST FIRST?

Matt. 6:33

33 "But **seek first** His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.

- **What place** must the rule of Christ have in the heart and life of those who are citizens of His kingdom?

Phil. 3:8

8 More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom **I have suffered the loss of all things,** and **count them but rubbish** in order that I may gain Christ,

- How should we view all **other things** that would vie for his allegiance and interfere with his relationship to Christ?

LIVING “SENSIBLY, RIGHTEOUSLY, AND
GODLY” WILL HAVE A DEFINITE IMPACT ON
ONE’S PRIORITIES IN THIS WORLD.

8 - IS IT AN ACT OF LOVE?

Rom. 12:9

9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.

- Genuine love for brethren will cause one to do what toward “evil” and toward “good”?

Rom. 13:8-10

8 Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law.

- What do we own all men?

9 For this, "You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; love therefore is the fulfillment of the law.

- What will love strive to never do?

IF WE ARE LIVING “SENSIBLY,
RIGHTEOUSLY, AND GODLY” WE WILL GIVE
SERIOUS THOUGHT TO WHETHER ARE
ATTITUDES AND ACTIONS DO OTHERS
GOOD OR HARM—IS IT AN ACT OF LOVE?

9 - IS IT LAWFUL?

I Pet. 2:13-17

13 Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake **to every human institution,** whether to a king as the one in authority, 14 or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right. 15 **For such is the will of God** that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men. 16 Act as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but use it as bondslaves of God. 17 Honor all men; love the brother-hood, fear God, honor the king.

- Christians are exhorted to **submit to whom?**
- Though this may be distasteful to us because of the wickedness of such people or the seeming foolishness or unfairness of the laws enacted by such people, **why must he do this anyway?**

**“SENSIBLE, RIGHTEOUS, GODLY” LIVING
DEMANDS OBEDIENCE TO CIVIL LAWS.**

IO - DOES IT CAUSE YOU TO
HAVE A SHARE IN WHAT IS SINFUL?

1 Cor. 10:14-21

14 Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.

15 I speak as to wise men; you judge what I say.

16 Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

17 Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread.

18 Look at the nation Israel; are not those who eat the sacrifices sharers in the altar?

19 What do I mean then? That a thing sacrificed to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything?

20 No, but I say that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and not to God; and I do not want you to become sharers in demons.

21 You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons.

- When Christians partake of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine in an assembly in the name of Christ and following prayers exalting the death of Christ, what do these actions connote?

- What did it mean when an Israelite ate his share of the animal sacrificed at the altar at the temple in Jerusalem?

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- When Gentiles gathered in a pagan temple to eat meat that had been sacrificed in honor of an idol, what was the significance of partaking in that feast?

- For thought: Can Christians be guilty of sharing in idolatry while not believing in idols?

YES

LIVING “SENSIBLY, RIGHTEOUSLY, AND GODLY” IN THIS PRESENT WORLD WILL CAUSE US TO WEIGH WHETHER A SITUATION WE INVOLVE OURSELVES IN WOULD PUT US IN A POSITION OF HAVING FELLOWSHIP WITH SOMETHING THAT IS CONTRARY TO CHRIST AND WHAT HE STANDS FOR.