Review

6. Where does Jesus state that His Apostles were "not of the world"? John 17:14-21

7. Who is the "world" in these passages?

People who are unbelievers, not earth, not universe.

8. Were the disciples "in the world"? Are we?

Yes, vs. 15, 18.

9. Were the disciples "of the world"? Are we?

No, vs. 14, 16.

10. What does "of the world" mean?

Doing the practices of the world that are sinful that the evil one would condone.

15 "I do not ask Thee to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one.

11. What is the world in Eph. 2:2?

World of ungodly men.

Not of the World

OBJECTIVE:

Impress the Christian's obligation and ability to live by a standard separate from and higher than the world.

Eph. 2:1-2,10

1 And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,

2 in which you formerly walked according to the 1 course of this world, according to the 2 prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working 3 n the sons of disobedience.

10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. • When the Ephesians were "of the world," what determined their choices in lifestyle.



• What was their condition when "of the world". What was the cause? Underline in same color.

DEAD SPIRITUALLY. TRESPASSES AND SINS.

 In contrast, what was to determine their way of life now that they were in Christ?



Applications:

| Pet. |:|4-|9

- 14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance,
- 15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior;
- 16 because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."
- 17 And if you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each man's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay upon earth;
- 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,
- 19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

 Who molded these peoples' "way of life" when they were "of the world"?



• Why did they live according to that norm?

INHERITED

 Now, "as obedient children," what is to be the norm of their lives?

AS WRITTEN BY THE HOLY ONE

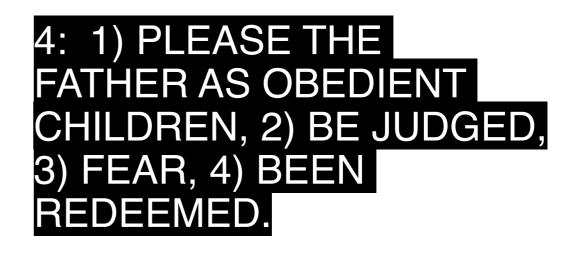
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 What word in the text connotes separateness?



What motivations to holy living are given in the text?



Applications:

Jer. 13:23

23 "Can the Ethiopian change his skin Or the leopard his spots? Then you also can do good Who are accustomed to doing evil."

I Pet. 4:3-4

3 For the time already past is sufficient for you to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousals, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.

4 And in all this, they are surprised that you do not run with them into the same excess of dissipation, and they malign you; • What made it difficult for the people of Jerusalem in Jeremiah's day to change?

• Based on what Peter wrote, can, in fact, must, a Christian make this change?

• What may happen when one makes such a change in his habits?

Jam. I:25-27

25 But one who looks intently at the perfect law, the law of liberty, and abides by it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an effectual doer, this man shall be blessed in what he does.

26 If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this man's religion is worthless.

27 This is pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father, to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. • Mark the family of words that have to do with doing, obedience.

• What is the value of a religion that one boasts of but is not characterized by the life that corresponds to it?

• What are two marks of pure and undefiled religion?

Tit. 2:1,10-14

- 1 But as for you, speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine...
- 10 ...that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in every respect.
- 11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men,
- 12 instructing us to 1 denv ungodliness and worldly desires and to 2 live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age,
- 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus;
- 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might <u>1</u> redeem us from every lawless deed and <u>2</u> purify for Himself a people for His own possession. <u>zealous for good deeds</u>.

- What will be the result when older men and women, young men and women, even bond-slaves, (vv. 2-10) live the life befitting sound doctrine?
- God's people must recognize that the grace of God has not only brought us salvation, but also is instructing us... to do what?
- What are two <u>reasons</u> Christ died for us?
- What motivations are given in the text for Christians to renounce worldly ways and thinking and embrace the life that befits the doctrine of God?