

WORLD OF GREED OR WILL OF GOD?
First John 2:15-17

HOW DO YOU OVERCOME THE WICKED ONE?

1. YOU ARE **SAVED** and FORGIVEN.
 2. YOU **SUBMIT** TO SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY
 3. YOU ARE **STRONG** IN THE LORD
 4. YOU **STUDY** THE WORD
 5. YOU **STAND** AGAINST THE DEMONS
 6. YOU **SHARE** YOUR EXPERIENCE OF KNOWING HIM
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I. THE WORLD OF GREED (2:15-17a).

Bottom Line: Victory comes in doing the will of God (v. 17).

1. The Command Against Lust (v. 15)

2. The Conduct of Lust (v. 16).

Lust of the flesh - self gratification. Appeals to the physical

Gen 3 - good for food

Matt 4 - stones to bread

Lust of the eyes - Mental gratification. Appeals to the emotions

Gen 3:6 - pleasant to the eyes

Matt 4 - Protection by angels, but you will be someone special

Pride of life - Appeals to our spiritual nature

Gen 3 - desired to make one wise

Matt 4 - worship Satan for kingdoms of world

Worldliness has a price. Why do God's people want to look like the world, why do they want their children to look like the world?

Answer #1: We Want Our Kids to Be Popular.

But God wants them to be PERFECTED (v. 5)

Answer #2: We Want Our Kids to Be Happy

But God wants them to be HOLY (1 Pet. 1:15-16)

3. The Conclusion of Lust (v. 17a).

-The world and all its lusts are passing away

II. THE WILL OF GOD (v. 17b)