

IN THE LIGHT

THE EPISTLES OF JOHN

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

1 John 2:15-17

John 3:16

Genesis 3:6

2 Samuel 11:2-4

This Too Shall Pass

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- Mark Lowry, a Christian comedian, points out “whether things are good or bad, everything is temporary.”
- In John 3:16, John uses the term “world”. He is referring to people.
- In 1 John 2:15-17, John uses the term “the world” as a catchall for that which distracts us from God.
- Temptation in any form takes your attention from what is holy, good, right, and true.
- John lists three things that he believes steal our attention from God. The first is lust of the flesh.
- Lust is a turning of one’s heart towards something.
- Something that steals our attention from God is when our heart turns towards the natural desires we possess that are opposed to God.
- The second thing John believes steals our attention from God is: lust of the eyes.
- Eve saw, appreciated, and wanted that which she shouldn’t have.
- There is a connection between what we see to our hearts and our soul that we often fail to acknowledge.
- The third thing John believes steals our attention from God is the pride of life.
- The pride of life is described as one who boasts of what he has and does.
- Jesus tells us to love people. Invest in God’s Kingdom.