

L4 | "The Spirit of This World" | 1 Cor. 2:6-16

I. Intro/Review:

- This World and The World to Come (This Life and The Life to Come)
- According to This World
 - Sin, death, lusts
 - The god of this world - the prince of the power of the air
- The power of darkness
 - The darkness round about God - judgment of sin the habitation and dwellings place for the adversary
 - Peddles in darkness - error
- Before we get to the works of darkness - first their realm

II. Preview:

1. The Spirit of This World
 1. The spirit - the gain of the world
 2. The things of the world

III. Sermon:

1. The spirit of this world
 - "pneuma" - wind, Ghost, Spirit, spirit
 - 1 Cor. 2:9 - "the things which God"
 - Revealed by His Spirit
 - Reveals "the things which God"
 - Deep things
 - "the spirit of man...knoweth the things of man"
 - Pro. 20:27
 - "the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God"
 - The Spirit of God...knoweth the things of God
 - Have not received the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God
 - To "know the things of God"
 - The spirit of the world is to know the things of the world
 - The sum total of the things of God is the Spirit of God = "GLORY"
 - The sum total of the things of the world is the spirit of the world = "GAIN"
1. "The spirit" - the gain of the world
 - The god of this world - 2 Cor. 4; Isa. 14:13
 - Removing the heart from God - Isa. 29:13 - the mind comes up with a new object of its affection
 - Jer. 17:9-10
 - Matt. 16:26
 - 1 Tim. 6:5
 - Php. 3:7

- Ps. 49:6ff
- Ps. 52:1ff
- Ps. 62:1ff

2. The things of the world

1. The wisdom of the world
2. The recorder of the world
3. The debater of the world
4. The authority of the world
5. The strength of the world
6. The nobility and reputation of the world
7. The riches of the world - money, lands

Affections/Desires

1. The lusts of the flesh
2. The lusts of the eyes
3. The pride of life - Isa. 47:10

1. The food of the world - 1 Cor. 6:13
2. The fornication of the world - 1 Cor. 6:13

- 1 Cor. 5:10 - coveteousness
- To strive for the gain of this world in connection with only one part of your makeup - your body, your flesh
- Ezekiel 16:49 - sister of Sodom and Gom
- The care(s) of this world - Luke 8:14, 21:34

IV. Conclusion:

- Spiritual Wickedness & The Works of Darkness
 - Eph. 6:12
 - Rom. 13:12-13
 - Eph. 5:1-10
- Vain Imaginations, Philosophy - the spirit that now worketh
- Vile Affections, Fulfilling the Desires of the Flesh and Mind
- Mind & Heart
 - Pro. 18:2