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# WALKING IN THE LIGHT

**DISCOVERING TRUTHS FROM 1-3 JOHN**





## 1 John 2: Four Signs of Knowing God

<sup>1</sup>**My little children**, I am writing you these things **so that you may not sin**. But **if anyone does sin**, we have an **advocate** with the Father—**Jesus Christ** the Righteous One. <sup>2</sup>**He Himself is the propitiation** for our sins, and not only for ours, but also **for those of the whole world**.

<sup>3</sup>This is how **we are sure that we have come to know Him: by keeping His commands**. <sup>4</sup>The one who says, “I have come to know Him,” yet doesn’t keep His commands, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. <sup>5</sup>But whoever keeps His word, truly in him the love of God is perfected. **This is how we know we are in Him**: <sup>6</sup>The one who says he remains in Him should **walk just as He walked**.

<sup>7</sup>Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old command that you have had from the beginning. The old command is the message you have heard. <sup>8</sup>Yet I am writing you a new command, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining.

<sup>9</sup>**The one who says he is in the light but hates his brother is in the darkness until now**. <sup>10</sup>**The one who loves his brother remains in the light**, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. <sup>11</sup>But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness, walks in the darkness, and doesn’t know where he’s going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

<sup>12</sup>I am writing to you, **little children**, because **your sins have been forgiven because of Jesus’ name**. <sup>13</sup>I am writing to you, fathers, because you have come to know the One who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have had victory over the evil one. <sup>14</sup>I have written to you, children, because you have come to know the Father. I have written to you, fathers, because you have come to know the One who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, **because you are strong, God’s word remains in you, and you have had victory over the evil one**.

<sup>15</sup>**Do not love the world or the things that belong to the world**. If anyone loves the world, **love for the Father is not in him**. <sup>16</sup>For everything that belongs to the world—the lust of the **flesh**, the lust of the **eyes**, and the **pride in one’s lifestyle**—is not from the Father, but is **from the world**. <sup>17</sup>And **the world with its lust is passing away, but the one who does God’s will remains forever**.

<sup>18</sup>Children, it is the last hour. And as you have heard, “Antichrist is coming,” even now **many antichrists have come**. We know from this that **it is the last hour**. <sup>19</sup>They went out from us, but they did not belong to us; for if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us. However, they went out so that it might be made clear that none of them belongs to us.

<sup>20</sup>But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you have knowledge. <sup>21</sup>I have not written to you because you don’t know the truth, but because you do know it, and because no lie comes from the truth. <sup>22</sup>Who is the liar, if not the one who denies that Jesus is the Messiah? **This one is the antichrist: the one who denies the Father and the Son**. <sup>23</sup>**No one who denies the Son can have the Father; he who confesses the Son has the Father as well**.

<sup>24</sup>**What you have heard from the beginning must remain in you**. If what you have heard from the beginning remains in you, **then you will remain in the Son and in the Father**. <sup>25</sup>And this is the promise that He Himself made to us: eternal life. <sup>26</sup>I have written these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you.

<sup>27</sup>The **anointing you received from Him remains in you**, and you don’t need anyone to teach you. Instead, His anointing teaches you about all things and is true and is not a lie; just as He has taught you, **remain in Him**.

<sup>28</sup>So now, little children, remain in Him, so that when He appears we may have boldness and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. <sup>29</sup>If you know that He is righteous, you know this as well: **Everyone who does what is right has been born of Him**.



**Four Signs:**

**1) Moral Sign (vs. 1-6)**

**2) Family of God Sign (vs. 9-11)**

**3) Affection Sign (vs. 15-17)**

**4) Doctrinal Sign (vs 20-23)**

**Questions to help you live it out:**

1. What area(s) are the most challenging for me?
2. What are the triggers that often push me over the edge?
3. Who do I know that I can invite into my life to pray with me for victory?
4. Am I meditating daily on the amazing Grace and Mercy that Christ has given me?
5. Where has unforgiveness taken root in my heart?
6. Who do I need to reconcile with?
7. Who should I thank God for that is in my life and difficult to love? He is giving me an opportunity to rely more upon Him than myself?
8. Where does my mind wander to when I have idle time?
9. Between physical pleasures, mental fantasies, and prideful desires, where am I most vulnerable?
10. How can I begin viewing the world and lusts in light of eternity?
11. How can my use of time and money tame the lusts that pull me toward loving the world?
12. Are there any doctrinal truths that are challenging for you to believe?
13. Do you have a safe place to humbly ask theological questions?



# MAN TO MAN

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AN EVENING WITH  
**ANDY PETTITTE**

SAT, MAR 23 | 6:30-8P  
\$25 ADMISSION  
(DINNER INCLUDED)



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**Sin should neither  
dominate us, nor doom us.**





# Christ in the Garden (Matthew 26:36-46)

- In fellowship with others and asking them for support
- In prayer throughout
- In full submission & surrender to the Father



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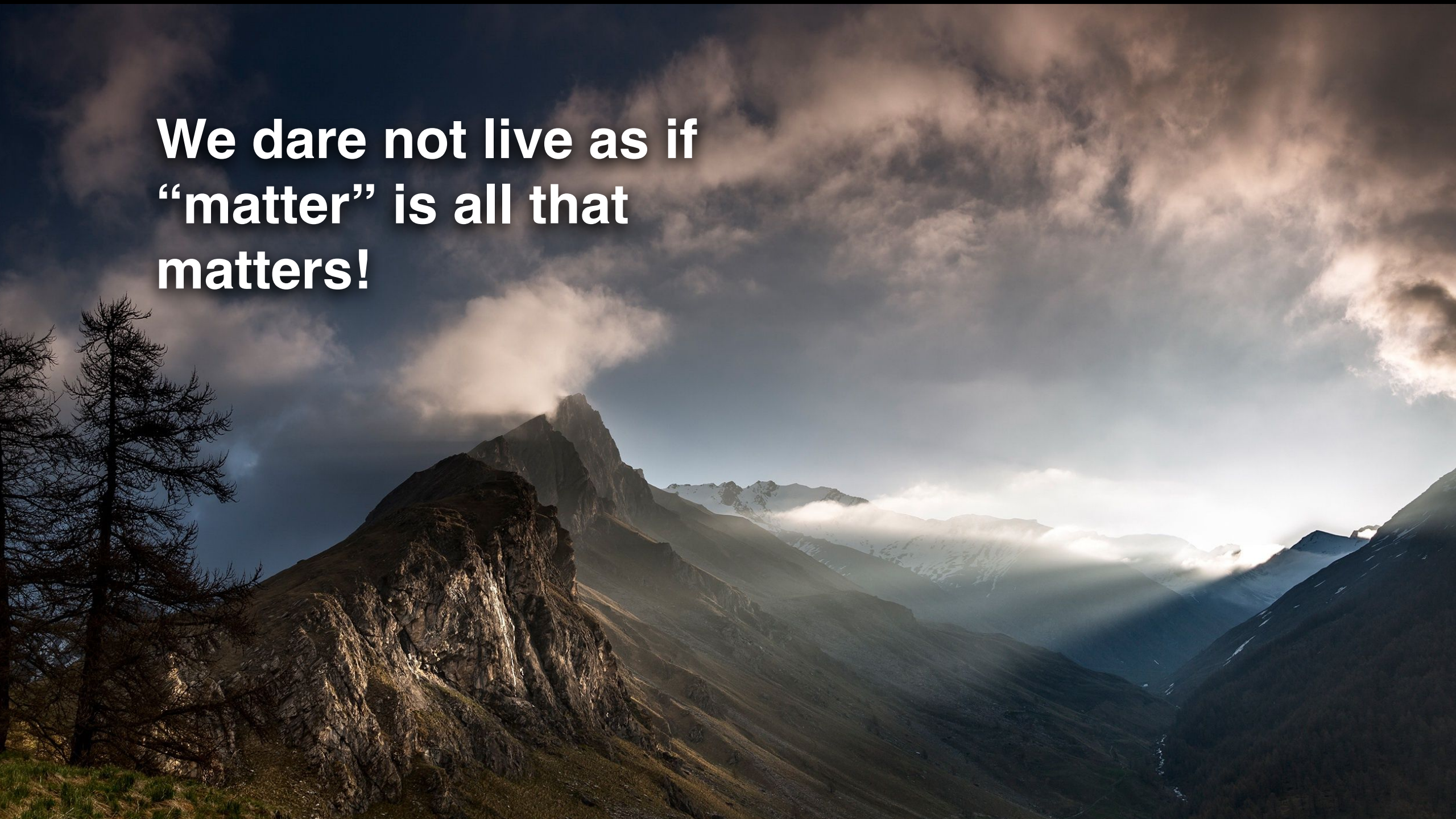


# The World

- **The Material Universe**
- **All of humanity on earth**
- **The system of fallen Humanity and Angels that is against the character, nature, and values of God**



**We dare not live as if  
“matter” is all that  
matters!**



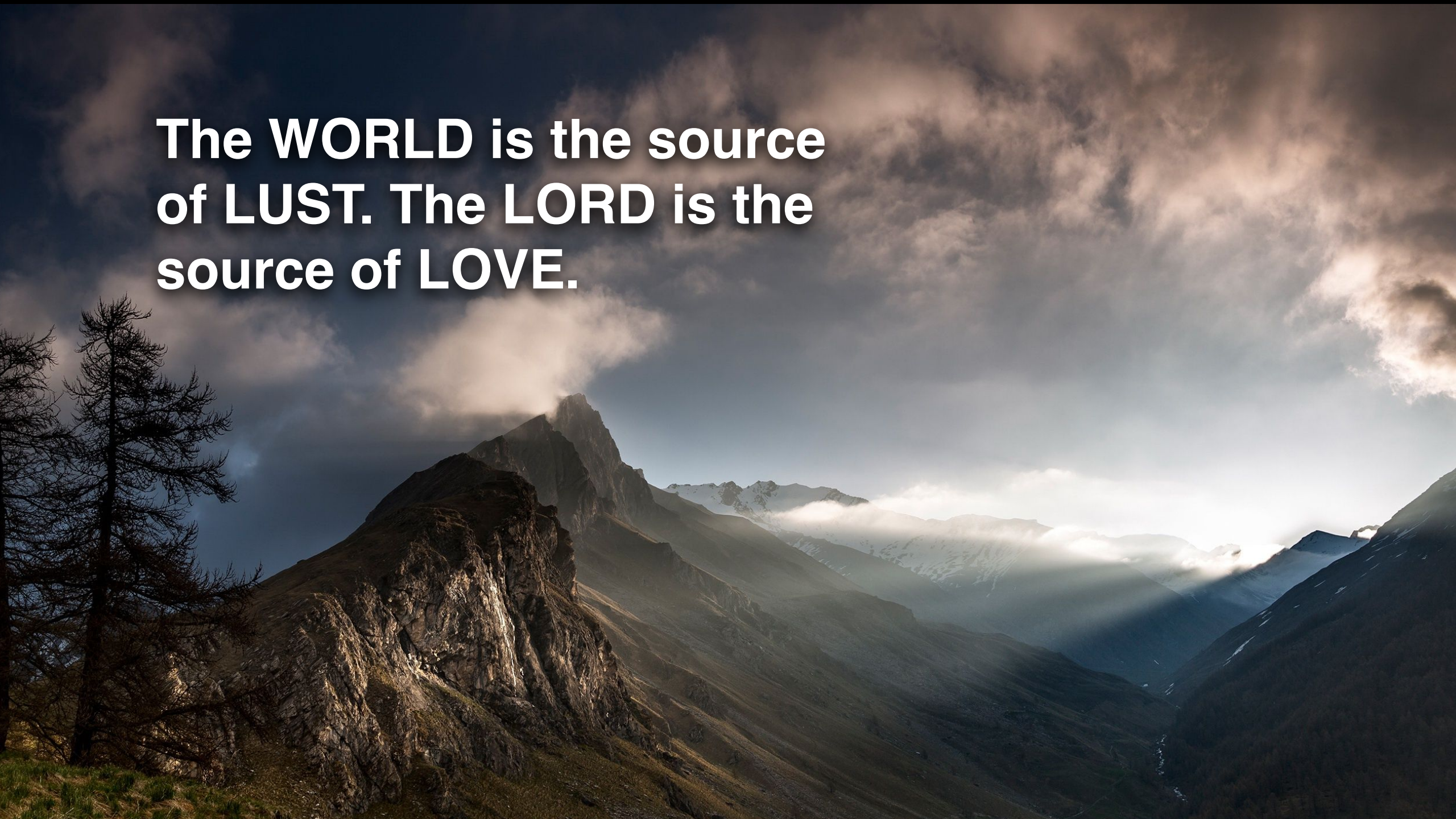


# Three Doorways the World Attacks

- Lust of the Flesh
- Lust of the Eyes
- The Pride of Life



**The WORLD is the source  
of LUST. The LORD is the  
source of LOVE.**





**“sub specie aeternitatis” = Under the View of Eternity**





# Jim Elliot from October 28, 1949

Oct 28 - One of the great blessings of Heaven is the appreciation of heaven on earth - Ephesian truth.

\* He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose. Lu 16:9 "That when it shall fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations"

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Scripture leaves so many stories untold. Think of the calloused heart of the priest who stooped over, squinting in the dimness of the sanctuary, looking for the 2 pieces of silver cast their - pausing to see if he had found all 30. No legal to put the money in the treasury, they were very philanthropic and buy with it a field to bury strangers in. How cold the heart of man! How feelingless and obdurate!



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# Hollow Point Heresy





# Discussion Questions