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15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. 16 For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. 17 The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

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1. Physical Pleasure

- Food & Drink
- Intimacy & Touch
- Rest
- Experiences, Sights, & Sounds

2. Craving for Everything We See

3. Pride in Our Achievements and Possessions

Connection to the Ten Commandments

- “You must not have any other god but me.” (Exodus 20:3)
- “You must not make for yourself an idol...” (Exodus 20:4)
- “You must not commit adultery.” (Exodus 20:14)
- “You must not steal.” (Exodus 20:15)
- “You must not covet...” (Exodus 20:17)

Romans 1:21-25

21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles...

Romans 1:21-25

24 Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. 25 They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.

Proverbs 27:20

Death and Destruction are never satisfied, and neither are human eyes.

Galatians 5:17 NLT

17 The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

Stephen Ganschow, PhD

“Addiction is not primarily a disease or a neurological disorder; it is disordered worship... At its heart, addiction is not a brain issue. It’s a worship issue.”

Psalm 115:8

And those who make idols are just like them, as are all who trust in them.

John 8:36

36 So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free.

David Platt

“Following Jesus involves losing your life – and finding new life in Him.”

Galatians 5:19-25

19 When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, 21 envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God...

Galatians 5:19-25

22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. 25 Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

Philippians 4:8

8 And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.

Oswald Chambers

“Your priorities must be God first, God second, and God third, until your life is continually face to face with God.”

Psalm 37:4

Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you your heart's desires.



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