

KINGDOM LIFE

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A SERMON SERIES ON THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT



# THE DANGER OF DIVIDED DEVOTION

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“So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”





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WHAT AM I DEVOTED TO  
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# 1 JOHN 2:15-17

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.





# 1 JOHN 3:23-24

And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.



# ECCLESIASTES 5:10

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money.





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*“It makes us intolerant, inhuman, ruthless and deprives life of all ultimate significance.”*

JOHN STOTT



*“If man divides his interest and tries to focus on both God and possessions, he has no clear vision, and will live without clear orientation or direction. Life not focused on God’s claims and commands is lost in spiritual darkness.”*

FLOYD FILSON



**GOTTA SERVE  
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# 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-5

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord....,



# 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-5 (cont.)

...begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.



# 2 CORINTHIANS 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.





*“God saves liberally and provides for us daily. Our generosity keeps the cycle going. That does not mean that if we give money away, we will automatically receive yet more in return. But liberality is part of the blessed life. God make us ‘rich in every way’, so that we ‘can be generous on every occasion’ (**2 Cor. 9:11**). By our generosity, we lay up treasures in heaven. When we give our money to God’s causes, we show where our heart is.”*

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