

God is faithful
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*What are some ways that
you've seen your faith
experience change over
time?*

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The world is
consumed
with the pursuit of

_____, _____,
and _____.

If we are, we
can't be consumed
with the Lord.

*What are some things that
fit into the three categories
of the loves of this world
that we should pay
attention to for ourselves?*

Wherever we are in our walk with Jesus, whether we're new in the faith and amazed that we've been forgiven, growing in the faith and seeing His strength over our sin, or seasoned in the faith and knowing Him deeply after years of His faithfulness, God is meeting us right where we are, and it's all very good.

But John also asks each of us to honestly look at where our affections are no matter where we are at on that journey. Are we chasing what feels good? Are we consumed with getting more stuff? Are we living for the approval and recognition of others? If so, John is clear that love for the Father is not in us. That's hard to hear, but it's meant to wake us up from our world's deceptions. Wherever you are in your faith journey, God wants to grow you right there. Bring Him the things you've loved more than Him, let Him rescue you from them once again, and let your love for Him become the singular passion that consumes you. He is enough.