

The Lust Of The Eyes

(1 John 2:15-16)

- Introduction:
1. The eyes of man have gotten him in trouble ever since the beginning of time (Genesis 3:6).
 2. Jesus said that the lamp of the body is the eye.
 3. In other words, what we look at and focus upon in this life will greatly determine the direction of our life.
 4. This lesson is designed to be a warning, as well as an admonition to focus your sight on the right things.

I. The Lust Of The Eyes

- A. Abraham & Lot (Genesis 13:1-13) — Materialism.
1. Lot lifted up his eyes and pitched his tent toward Sodom.
 2. The lure of a prosperous life caught the eyes of Lot as well as blinding him to the dangers of Sodom.
 3. (1 Timothy 6:6-11).
 4. (Ephesians 5:5; Colossians 3:5) Covetousness is idolatry.
 5. (Matthew 6:19-21).
- B. Eyes Full Of Adultery (2 Peter 2:14) — Sexual immorality.
1. (Matthew 5:27-30).
 2. (Philippians 4:6).
- C. Eyes That Will Not See (Romans 11:8-10) — Religious error.
1. (Jeremiah 5:31; 6:14).
 2. (2 Timothy 4:2-4).

II. Eyes That Truly See Are:

- A. Eyes that are not blinded by sin (2 Corinthians 4:3-4).
- B. Eyes that are not near-sighted (2 Peter 1:5-11).
- C. Eyes that see how great our Savior is (Hebrews 4:14).
- D. Eyes that see the invisible (2 Corinthians 5:7; Hebrews 11:27).
- E. Eyes that fear God (Romans 3:18; Hebrews 10:26-31).

- Conclusion:
1. The lust of the eyes — materialism, immorality, and a feel good religion all place us at enmity with God.
 2. It's just not worth it.
 3. Open your eyes and truly see the meaning of life.