

Questions for Consideration—*With the Master Before the Mirror of God's Word*
Lesson 7 — Three Deadly Sins — 1 John 2:15-17

Memory Work — 1 John 2:15

- 1) Read I John 2:15-17. (a) What is the main command in these verses? (b) Why do you think John transitions into this subject after verses 12-14?
- 1) (a) Read the accounts in Gen 3:1-6 and Matthew 4:1-11, and note the ways in which Eve and the Lord were both tempted by the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. (b) How did Christ withstand the temptation? (c) Why did Eve not withstand the temptation? (d) What do you learn from both examples?
- 2) (a) How does James describe worldliness in James chapter 4? (b) What words does James use to describe those who love the world? (c) What is the remedy for worldliness according to James?
- 3) (a) What does John 3:16 say? (b) What does I John 2:15 say? How do you reconcile these verses?
- 4) (a) Why is it imperative according to I John that believers not love the world? I John 2:16-17, I John 5:19. (b) What other passages come to your mind that warn us of the dangers of not loving the world?
- 5) (a) What did Jesus pray in John 17:11, 14, and 15? (b) How can a believer be in the world, but not of the world? Support your answer with Scripture.
- 6) (a) What do *you* think worldliness is? (b) What are some common forms of worldliness? (c) What are some forms of worldliness that you personally are drawn to? (d) How do you resist those temptations?
- 7) Honestly evaluate your life in light of the following questions. (a) Am I in love with this world? (b) How am I enticed by the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, or the pride of life? (I.E.--Do I concentrate on satisfying the lusts of my flesh? What attracts the attention of my eyes? Am I proud about my accomplishments or myself?) (c) Am I doing the will of the Father?
- 8) Please write down a prayer request after contemplating question 8.