

# 1 John 2:15-17, He Who Does the Will of God Abides Forever

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1 John 2:4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him.

1 Cor 5:9 I wrote to you in my epistle not to keep company with sexually immoral people. 10 Yet I certainly did not mean with the sexually immoral people of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. 11 But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner — not even to eat with such a person. 12 For what have I to do with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? 13 But those who are outside God judges. Therefore "put away from yourselves the evil person."

Relating to discussion from last week about what does a true Christian do when they fall into sin by violating God's commandments?

Excerpt of an Email this week from a Catholic Friend who is trusting in the catholic mass wafer rather than in the finished work of Jesus:

As part of the Body of Christ, we are also attacked by the "Terminator", whose mission is still to destroy what God has created. When the Eucharist Service was being said in Latin, as Jesus instructed us at the Last Supper, were "This is the Body of Christ who gives us eternal life" The Terminator used the expression "Hocus Pocus Minnie Oculus" to ridicule the Body of Christ as just a magic trick or remembrance with no meaning – merely an illusion which he still purports even today.

1 John 2:9 He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now. 10 He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. 11 But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

## Application in answer to a question from a Christian friend as a result of last week's study

I listened to yesterday's sermon last night and was wondering how we should deal with the imprecatory [to invoke or bring down a curse] Psalms speaking of the hatred (complete/perfect hatred in Psalm 139:19-22) of those who stand against God.

Ps 139:19 Oh, that **You would slay the wicked**, O God! Depart from me, therefore, you bloodthirsty men. 20 For they speak against You wickedly; Your enemies take Your name in vain. 21 Do I not hate them, O Lord, who hate You? And do I not loathe those who rise up against You? 22 I **hate them with perfect hatred**; I count them my enemies. 23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; 24 And see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. NKJV

Might it be appropriate to harbor a hatred expressed as a desire for God's judgment upon those who align with evil, who fight against the things of God and are refusing to repent? And yet at the same time love these enemies, pray for their salvation and even provide for their needs (Rom 12:18-20) and in so doing heap burning coals on their head. [Samaritan's purse NY](#) seems to be a current and perfect example of this.

## Samaritan's Purse Gets Booted From Central Park Day After NYC Councilman's Vile Message

<https://www.theblaze.com/news/nyc-councilman-lashes-out-at-samaritans-purse-in-vile-message-demands-they-immediately-leave-nyc>

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Samaritan's Purse, which had been operating a field hospital in Central Park, has been effectively booted from the city.

The Christian-based humanitarian relief organization, run by Franklin Graham, [established a field hospital in Central Park](#) as New York City quickly became the global epicenter for COVID-19. **The move was immediately decried by the left due to Samaritan Purse's biblical views on sexuality despite the organization's commitment to serve every patient without discrimination.** But on Saturday, Mount Sinai Health System [announced it was shutting down](#) the field hospital. **Sources told local media the decision was due in part to Samaritan Purse's Christian beliefs.**

If love/hate coexistence is a reality might the 1 John 2 verses admonishing us not to hate be relegated to our brothers and sisters in Christ where hatred truly has no place?

Col 4:5 Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. 6 Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.

1 John 2:15 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. 16 For all that is in the world — the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life — is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

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Matt 4:8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.'" 11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him. NKJV

2 Cor 4:3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the **god [satan] of this age** [world system] has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

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Gal 5:19-21 **Lust of the flesh:** Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, drunkenness, revelries, sorcery  
**Lust of the Eyes:** jealousies, envy, lewdness  
**Pride of Life:** hatred, contentions, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies [divisions], murders, idolatry

Ps 2:1 Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? [pride of life] 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against His Anointed [**Jesus**], saying, 3 "Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us." 4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall hold them in

derision.

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, **but be transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Rom 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

### Summary

**Test 1 – Do you have a desire/habit of walking in the light/turning away from darkness?**

**Test 2 – Do you admit that you are a sinner that deserves death?**

**Test 3 – Do you confess/agree with what God calls sin?**

**Test 4 - Do you keep his commandments - keep his word and trust in the Biblical Jesus to cleanse you of sin when you do disobey?**

**Test 5 - Has hatred been removed from your life by Jesus?**

**Test 6 - Is your heart changing to remove any love for the world's lusts and pride?**