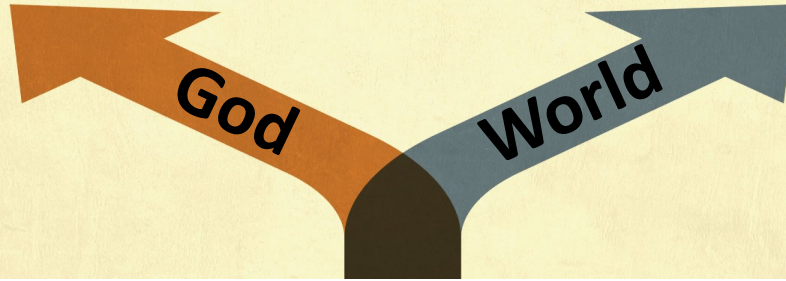


Growing in Godliness



2 Peter 3:10-13 (ESV)

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.¹¹ Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and **godliness**,¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!¹³ But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

WHAT IS GODLINESS?

Godliness—conforming to the laws and wishes of God; devout; pious.

Devout—characterized by loyalty to a pursuit, belief, or mode of behavior: serious, earnest.

HOW DO YOU KNOW IF YOU ARE DEVOUT TOWARD GOD?

BY YOUR AFFECTIONS (Devotion)

Matthew 6:24 *“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.*

The Bible says that it is impossible to strive for both the world and God!

See Also: James 4:4; 1 John 2:15-16; Luke 14:26

BY THE WAY YOU LIVE

Titus 2:11–13 *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,*

1 John 2:6 *whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.*

See Also: Proverbs 5:21; 1 Corinthians 3:11-17; 1 John 2:4, 6

RATE YOURSELF (1= Worldly; 10 = Godly)

Two Years Ago:

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Presently:

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Two Years From Now:

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