

**“What Not to Love”**

*-1 John 2:15-17-*

**Introduction:**

- What do you love most in life?
- What do you love doing most?
- Why do you love it so much?

**In 1 John 2:15-17, we see four essential truths about Christian love which help reveal the condition of our heart.**

**1) The Command of Christian Love (v. 15a):**

- Christians do not love the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The “world” here is not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- The “world” is the spiritual system of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Notes:**

**2) The Condition of Christian Love (v. 15b):**

- If you love the “world” then you do not love \_\_\_\_\_.
- You cannot genuinely love and serve two \_\_\_\_\_.

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### 3) The Cause of Christian Love (v. 16):

- God hates \_\_\_\_\_, and sin is the dominant reality of the “world.”
- The “world” tempts you to sin with the lust of the \_\_\_\_\_, the lust of the \_\_\_\_\_, and the boastful \_\_\_\_\_ of life.

#### Notes:

### 4) The Conclusion of Christian Love (v. 17):

- If you love the “world” then you will \_\_\_\_\_ with the world forever.
- If you love God then you will \_\_\_\_\_ with God forever.

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#### Conclusion:

- When you think of heaven, what do \_\_\_\_\_ most about it?
- Heaven is glorious because we get to \_\_\_\_\_ God forever.
- If you don't \_\_\_\_\_ God supremely, you won't love heaven.
- The greatest \_\_\_\_\_ on earth and in heaven is Jesus Christ.

*“These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.” -- 1 John 5:13*