

John 13:1 to 21:25

The world hates you! John 15:18-21

18"If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. 19If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. 20Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. 21But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

A study of the "world" in John's Gospel

IN HIS WORKS

-Made by God (1:10), Loved by God (3:16), Sent God's Son, Jesus, to be saved through him and not judged (3:17, 12:47), Given living bread/flesh from heaven/God that gives life forever (6:33, 51), Shown that Jesus loves the Father as he does everything the Father commanded (14:31), Convicted with regards to sin, righteousness, and judgment by the Spirit of God (John 16:8), Shown that Jesus was sent by the Father as followers of Christ are united (17:21), Shown that the Father loves the world as he does Jesus by followers of Christ being united (17:23)

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- Told that sin can be taken away by Jesus (1:29), Told that Jesus is their light so they will not walk in darkness but have the light of life (8:12, 9:5), Told that unless they believe in Jesus they will die in their sins (8:23-24), Told by Jesus that he has heard from the Father (8:26)

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THE RESULT OF THE WORLD NOT RESPONDING TO THE WORKS AND WORDS OF JESUS

-Not knowing God (1:10, 17:25), Haters of Jesus because he testifies that its works are evil (7:7), Haters of the disciples of Jesus (17:14), Unable to receive/see/know the Spirit (14:16-17), Rejoicing at Jesus' death (16:20), Faced with judgment (12:31), Overcome/beaten/defeated by Jesus (16:33), Not prayed for by Jesus (17:9), Not included as disciples of Jesus (17:16)

We are/were the world!

Ephesians 2:1-5

"1As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. 3All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. 4 because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved"

We are/were the world! John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

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- 3. Have you ever been tempted to think I don't need God? I can do it alone. I don't need prayer. I'm smart enough on my own. I'm an adult. I'm fully capable. Ever thought this way?

"They have no excuse." John 15:22-25

22If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. 23Whoever hates me hates my Father also. 24If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. 25But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'

Bear witness about me. John 15:26-27

26"But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

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6 We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. 7 No, we speak of God's secret wisdom, a wisdom that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 However, as it is written: "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him"-- 10 but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. 11 For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no-one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

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12 We have not received the spirit of the <u>world</u> but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. 13 This is what we speak, not in words taught us by <u>human</u> wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words. 14 The <u>man without the Spirit</u> does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Why are you telling us all this? John 16:1-4

1"I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. 2They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. 3And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. 4But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you."

Why are you telling us all this? Hebrews 12:3-4

3Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. 4In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

1. Are there any areas of your life where you are experiencing hatred as a result of your union with Christ?

2. Are you persevering in these areas?