## As God's Children, Part 4: "Do Not Love the World" 1 John 2:12-17 Pastor John Eom

**One Thing:** Let the love of the Father keep you from the love of the world.

## 1 John 2:12-17 (ESV)

<sup>12</sup> I am writing to you, little children,

because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

<sup>13</sup>I am writing to you, fathers,

because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young men,

because you have overcome the evil one.

I write to you, children,

because you know the Father.

<sup>14</sup> I write to you, fathers,

because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young men,

because you are strong,

and the word of God abides in you,

and you have overcome the evil one.

<sup>15</sup> 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. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

## **Sermon Overview**

- 1) The assuring love of the Father (12-14), offers us:
  - Forgiveness of sins
  - · Relationship with God
  - Strength to overcome
- 2) The alluring love of the world (15-17), offers us:
  - Desires of the flesh
  - Desires of the eyes
  - Pride of life