FOR THE BROTHERS: A STUDY IN THE EPISTLES OF JAMES, JOHN, JUDE AMEN BIBLE STUDY 2016-2017

John: Love Not the World I John 2:15-17 January 26, 2017

I. Love of world is incompatible with love of God.

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.

cf. John 3:16; 12:31; Romans 12:2; II Timothy 4:10; Matthew 6:24; James 4:4; I John 5:19

A. The love of the world comes from the world and so do its lovers.

¹⁶ For all that is in the world ...is not from the Father but is from the world.

1. Fleshly desires

- ... the desires of the flesh...
- cf. Romans 13:14; Ephesians 2:3

2. Acquisitive eyes

- ... and the desires of the eyes...
- cf. Genesis 3:6; Joshua 7:21; II Samuel 11:2

3. Pride of possessions

- ... and pride of life...
- cf. Jeremiah 9:23, 24; Daniel 4:28-32; Matthew 6:19-21; Luke 12:13-21; Romans 1:30; Galatians 6:14; II Timothy 3:2; James 4:16

B. The world is passing away and so are its lovers.

¹⁷ And the world is passing away along with its desires...

cf. Psalm 90:10; I Corinthians 7:31; James 1:10; II Peter 3:10-13

II. God lives forever and so will His people.

- ... but whoever does the will of God abides forever.
- cf. John 8:35; 12:34; II Corinthians 4:18