

Sonship

Overcoming: World Systems

War is an act of force intended to compel our opponent to do our will.

Knowing the objectives of war and achieving those objectives are two different things.

Satan is the ruler of the 'world system

Matthew 4:8-9

Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world, and their glory; and he said to Him, "All these things will I give You if You fall down and worship me."

John 12:31

Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world shall be cast out.

John 14:30

I will not speak much more with you, for the ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in Me....

II Corinthians 4:3-4

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

Proper Attitude Toward the 'World'

You are not 'of' the world

John 15:18-19

If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, there the world hates you.

John 17:14-16

I have given them Thy word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not ask Thee to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

In the world you will have tribulation (suffering)

John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage, I have overcome the world.

Can lose soul to gain the world

Mark 8:36

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?

If you love the world—You are an enemy of God

I John 2:15-16

Do not love the world, nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

James 4:4

You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

The world system is temporary

I John 2:17

And the world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God abides forever.

I Corinthians 7:29-31

But this I say, brethren, the time has been shortened, so that from now on those who have wives should be as though they had none; and those who weep, as though they did not weep; and those who rejoice, as though they did not rejoice; and those who buy, as though they did not possess; and those who use the world, as though they did not make full use of it; for the form of this world is passing away.

We are no longer in bondage to the world systems

Ephesians 2:1-2

And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.

