



Light Applied
to *Life*

Series Theme:

A Christian can enjoy daily fellowship with God, who is light and love, and this can change the world one life and one heart at a time.



How Do I Walk
in Purity?



What do you want?



What if we are defined not
by what we think, but by
what we desire?



“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.”

- John 2:15



The question isn't whether you will love something, **the question is what you will love as ultimate.**





"You have made us for Yourself,
and our heart is restless until it
rests in You."

- St. Augustine



Discipleship is more a matter
of **re-formation** than
acquiring information.



“For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life (or pride in possessions)—is not from the Father but is from the world.”

- John 2:16



The flesh:

“the corruption that sin has introduced into our very appetites and instincts.”



“I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.”

- John 17:15-17



God is still moving, active, and
can speak through the culture
we are living in.

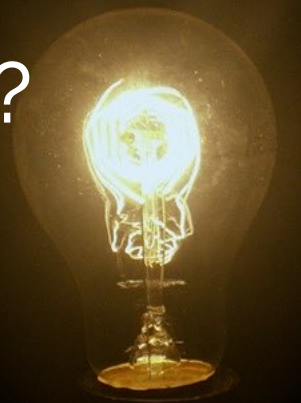


There's a crucial difference
between recognizing evil and
delighting in the evil.



Cardia Calibration Considerations:

- Does your cultural enjoyment lead you to worship God? Or worship yourself, someone else, or something else?
- Where does our enjoyment of culture push us? Toward God or toward ourselves?
- Does our cultural enjoyment harden us or make us more tender?
- If you were to conform your actions and attitudes to those of your favorite characters would your life be better or worse than it is now?
- Do the stories you like to write, read, watch, tell reflect the stories that God likes to tell?



“And the world is passing away along
with its desires...”

- John 2:17a



The fastest growing religion is the
religion of self.



“To thine own self be true.”

- Polonius, the fool



Our strongest desires are not
actually our deepest desires.



“...but whoever does the will of God
abides forever.”

- John 2:17b



The will of God

- Everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life. – John 6:40
- Give thanks in all circumstances. – 1 Thess. 5:18
- Submit to authority. – 1 Peter 2:13-15
- Abstain from sexual immorality. – 1 Thess. 4:3



“Discipleship is a kind of immigration,
from the kingdom of darkness to the
kingdom of God’s beloved Son.”

- John Mark Comer



“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”

- Romans 12:2



How do I walk in purity?

- What is my ultimate love? My end-all-be-all desire?
- How am I engaging with and enjoying culture?
- Am I living in God's will?

