

Introduction - "The story of a non-smoker"

"The World Hates You!"

John 15:18-21

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

1. Through the works of Jesus
2. Through the words of Jesus

The response of the world to the works and words of Jesus.

We are/were the world

Ephesians 2:1-5

John 3:16

Why does the world hate us?

1. If 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.

2. Remember 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.

3. But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

How does the world hate us?

A comparison to modern day racism

"They have no excuse."

John 15:22-25

"Bear witness about me."

John 15:26-27

Application - John 16:1-4, Hebrews 12:3-4

John 15:18-6:4

¶18 "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. 19 If 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. 20 Remember 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. 21 But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

¶22 If 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. 23 Whoever hates me hates my Father also. 24 If 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; 25 But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'

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¶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. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

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

Ephesians 2:1-5

1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2 in 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. 3 All 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, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

John 3:16

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.