

A sheet for children as they listen or prepare to listen to the sermon from John 15:17-25

The Christian and The World
Sunday, April 26, 2020

JOHN 15:17 These things I **command** you, so that you will **love** one another.

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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Draw a box beside the word search for a name tag. Write your name on the name tag. On the name tag show what is #1 in your heart. What do you love the most? These Bible verses in John 15 are about what we love. We love Jesus more than anything else OR we love the things of the world more than we love Jesus.

It is good to pray everyday that the Holy Spirit fills your heart with love for Jesus. You can't do it on your own. But the Holy Spirit can make your heart stronger so that your #1 love is Jesus.

**YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH
ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL
AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND. MATTHEW 22:37**

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We read these verses and ask ourselves: Do I love Jesus? OR Do I love the world?
Which love fills my heart? Which love is my desire?

These questions are always good to ask as we examine our hearts.

For the young believer who wants to love Jesus and not love the world here is a concrete way to compare the two.

The Heart of the Christian

The heart of a Christian is like a compass. It has a needle that does not turn all around. It is not pulled in any other direction. It is firmly fixed.

The compass is "labeled" with the 10 Commandments.

Think about the first 4 commandments. They tell us what to do about how to love the Lord and follow Him. Think about the last 6 commandments. They tell us what not to do against others.

How can the needle stay fixed for a Christian? The Holy Spirit is at work. His power is greater than any other power. The Holy Spirit helps the Christian remember what is right, what the Bible teaches, what Jesus loves.



The Heart of the World Lover

The heart of the world lover is like a compass too, but it is a different kind of compass. The one who loves the world has a needle that turns all around. It can go in any direction. The direction changes all the time.

The world lover doesn't care about the last 6 commandments.

The world lover listens to the world and does what the world thinks is best, not right, just best. Is the world right? Not often. The world does not listen to Jesus or the Bible. In fact the world lover does not love Jesus or the Bible. The world lover loves himself/herself.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image...
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind. Matthew 22:37