

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: What is th World**

**What is th World - posted by glaubemann, on: 2007/9/21 13:16**

Hello , i want to ask , what do you think about what the bible mean by the World,  
And the Bible say that :don t love the world nor the things that are in the world , if somebody love the world , the love of t  
he father is not in him.

from my french Bible Dictionary i did nt not find a real explanation of the word WORLD and the Things that are in the W  
ORLD

let me know what you say about the difference according please to the bible and let me know the Commentary or Dictio  
nary you use .

Thanks

**Re: What is th World, on: 2007/9/21 13:23**

the next verse (in 1 John 2) gives us a decent hint

16For everything in the world—the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and  
does—comes not from the Father but from the world

I also looked up the greek

kos'-mos

orderly arrangement, that is, decoration; by implication the world (in a wide or narrow sense, including its inhabitants,  
literally or figuratively ): - adorning, world.

and finally I like John Wesleys very frank comment on the verse:

1Jn 2:15/16 - To you all, whether fathers, young men, or little children, I say, Love not the world - Pursue your victory by  
overcoming the world. If any man love the world - Seek happiness in visible things, he does not love God.

The desire of the flesh - Of the pleasure of the outward senses, whether of the taste, smell, or touch. The desire of the e  
ye - Of the pleasures of imagination, to which the eye chiefly is subservient; of that internal sense whereby we relish wh  
atever is grand, new, or beautiful. The pride of life - All that pomp in clothes, houses, furniture, equipage, manner of livin  
g, which generally procure honour from the bulk of mankind, and so gratify pride and vanity. It therefore directly includes  
the desire of praise, and, remotely, covetousness. All these desires are not from God, but from the prince of this world.

In Christ - Jim

**Re: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2007/9/21 13:55**

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Diane

**Re:, on: 2007/9/21 14:17**

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I've heard one man say that only God can love the world. If we were to love it we would be like it. God is the only one who can love the world and not be like it.

I think if you are looking for a technical answer, in John 3:16 he is referring to people and in 1 John he is referring to "the system." He qualifies his statement by saying, "All that is in the world..."

**Re: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2007/9/21 15:47**

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Surely this would not be the outcome of applying 1 Cor. 13.

I had always understood "agape" to be the ultimate in holy love, but have discovered that in the Bible "agapeo" can also refer to ungodly love.

So... maybe its about loving the world with a godly vs ungodly heart.

Diane

**Re: - posted by glaubemann, on: 2007/9/21 17:21**

jimdied2sin

Thanks a lot  
please in which book did John Wesley make the commentary ?  
Thanks

**Re:, on: 2007/9/24 8:25**

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