Auburn English Meeting 10/10/21

1 John 2:15-2:17 (Do not love the world…)

15 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. 16 For all that is in the world – the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride in possessions – is not from the Father, but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Context:

Do not love the world. The meaning of the word 'world':

What it is not: It is not the created world.

What it is: It is a system (both human and 'super-human') in rebellion against God

1. *Desires of the flesh*

2. *Desires of the eyes*

3. *Pride in possessions (pride of life)*

Reasons not to love the world:

1. *Love for the Father and love for the world are incompatible*

2. *The world is passing away*