Knowing What is Truly Valuable – I John 2:15-17

Do <u>NOT</u> love the world (2:15).

What the world has to offer is <u>NOT</u> from God (2:16).

What the world has to offer will NOT last (2:17).

Questions for Discussion & Application:

- 1. What was difficult, helpful, or challenging from this study of God's Word?
- 2. What does our passage mean by "world"?
- 3. We are instructed not to love the world. What does it look like to love the world and the things in the world?
- 4. How have you struggled with this temptation in your own life as a Christian?
- 5. What are the 3 areas of temptation mentioned in 2:16? Which of these is most difficult for you? Why?

- 6. What are some examples of how living for the kingdom of God looks very different from living for the world?
- 7. What is one example of how you loved the world before you became a Christian? How are you growing in doing the will of God in this area where you used to love the world?
- 8. Last week's passage taught us that we are strong and overcome the evil one by God's Word abiding in us. Can you give a specific example of how God's Word has made you victorious in one of these 3 areas of temptation?
- 9. Another reason that we should not love the world is that the things of the world will not last... the world is doomed and the pleasures it offers are temporary. How have you seen the temporary nature of the world's pleasures.
- 10. The world offers temporary pleasures. What are the lasting pleasures that are found in the Lord?