



# WHEN THE WORLD GETS IN THE WAY

## WORDLY RELIGION AND GODLY PRIORITIES

Luke 14:1-6

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### 1. Beware \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.1-4)

**Luke 14:1** One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. **2** And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. **3** And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" **4** But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. **5** And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" **6** And they could not reply to these things. (ESV)

### 2. Pursue \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.5-6)

**A.**

**B.**

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **1 John 5:19-21**. How might a consistent thoughtfulness about the reality of the stark contrast described in this passage change the way you live your daily life?
2. Read **1 John 2:15-17** and **Matthew 23:23-28**. Note how the worldliness explained in 1 John 2:15-17 shows up in the religious people of Matthew 23:23-28. Explain ways this self-serving mindset can sometimes be seen in people today who identify themselves as part of good Bible-teaching churches.
3. Read **2 Corinthians 11:13-15**. Why would life be so much easier if this insidious fact wasn't true, and what kind of precautions does this unfortunate situation necessitate for us as Christians?
4. Read **Galatians 6:10**. What specific good will you plan and purpose to do for these two categories of people this week?
5. Read **Titus 2:11-14**. What would you tell a Christian he might do to increase his passion and energy in order to spend more of his efforts doing good for others?

## This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

### August 28<sup>th</sup>

Ps.136-138 & 1Cor.9

### August 29<sup>th</sup>

Ps.139-141 & 1Cor.10:1-13

### August 30<sup>th</sup>

Ps.142-144 & 1Cor.10:14-33

### August 31<sup>st</sup>

Ps.145-147 & 1Cor.11:1-15

### September 1<sup>st</sup>

Ps.148-150 & 1Cor.11:16-34

### September 2<sup>nd</sup>

Prov.1-2 & 1Cor.12

### September 3<sup>rd</sup>

Prov.3-4 & 1Cor.13

### September 4<sup>th</sup>

Prov.5-6 & 1Cor.14:1-20

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 14-36 – **When Your Focus is In Need of Adjustment**

Msg. 15-32 – **The Fear of Being Fake**

Msg. 11-31 – **Sorting Out God's Orders from Our Opinions**

Msg. 13-29 – **Traditions & Authentic Rules**

Msg. 13-28 – **Obsolete & Eternal Covenants**

Msg. 06-02 – **Seeing My Salvation as the Fulfillment of the Sabbath**

Msg. 10-33 – **Strategic Rest & A Godly Work Ethic**

## This Week's Social Media Hashtag

### #OvercomingTheWorld

For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today's sermon.

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Beale, G. K. **We Become What We Worship: A Biblical Theology of Idolatry**. InterVarsity Press, 2008.

Carson, D.A. **From Sabbath to Lord's Day: A Biblical, Historical and Theological Investigation**. Wipf & Stock, 2000.

Challies, Tim. **Do More Better: A Practical Guide to Productivity**. Cruciform Press, 2015.

Embry, Adam. **An Honest and Well-Experienced Heart: The Piety of John Flavel**. Reformation Heritage Books, 2013.

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Frank, Arnold L. **The Fear of God: A Forgotten Doctrine**. Second Edition. Nordskog Publishing, 2008.

Kroll, Woodrow. **Struggling with Selfishness: Choosing to Look Past Yourself**. Back to the Bible, 1996.

MacArthur, John. **The Power of Integrity: Building a Life Without Compromise**. CrosswayBooks, 1997.

Piper, John. **What Jesus Demands from the World**. CrosswayBooks, 2006.

Ratzlaff, Dale. **Sabbath in Crisis**. LAM Publications, 1995.

Riggle, H.M. **The Sabbath and the Lord's Day**. LAM Publications, 2001.

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Stowell, Joseph. **Eternity: Reclaiming a Passion for What Endures**. Chicago: Moody Press, 1995.

Swindoll, Charles. **Improving Your Serve: The Art of Unselfish Living**. Reprint. Word, 2002.

Thomas, Derek W. H. and R. Carlton Wynne, eds. **Zeal for Godliness: Devotional Meditations**. EP Books, 2012.