

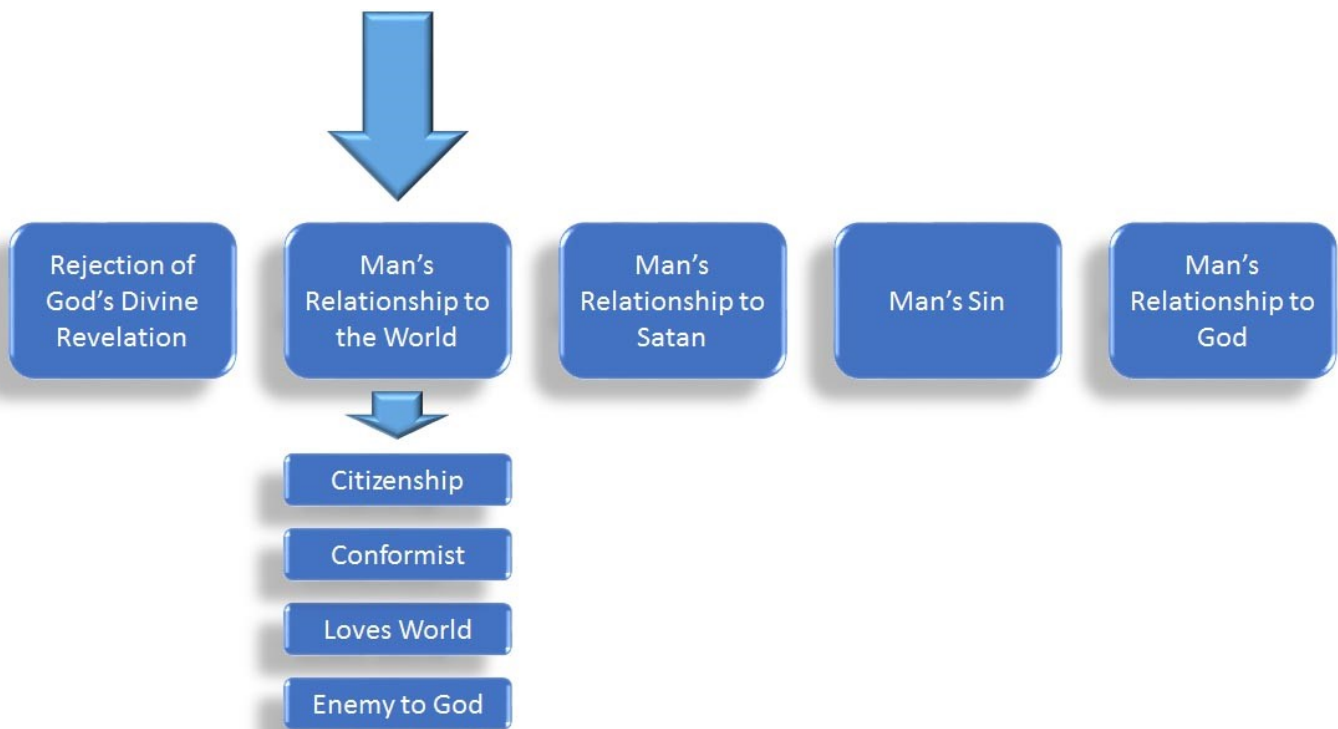
Who Do You Hang Out With ???

Part 3

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Man's Relationship To The World Condemns Him.



One of the key verses about sin is found in John 15:19, Jesus notes ... ¹⁹ *If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.*"

Therefore some immediate conclusions

- We are citizens of this world at birth.
- Unsaved people are citizens of this world and they love it.
- The world's citizens conform to the value system of this world. (² *in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience* (Ephesians 2:2)
- The unsaved are opposed to all who are not part of it.
- This world system rejects God, hates Christ and consequentially hates all Christians.
- The saved are not citizens of this world.

A saved person's citizenship is in heaven and not of this world. We're just visitors. Therefore all saved people have been given to Christ. ⁶ *"I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.* (John 17:6)



This world is ruled by Satan and his values, objectives, goals, hatred of God, and destructive behavior. These are the philosophies he confers upon its citizens.

The world citizens are dominated by the philosophy of this age permeates every aspect of life including dress, diet, desires, money, power, authority, greed, morality, bias and prejudice, etc... including the fact they have no desire to bring God into any of their experiences.

James 4: brings the message home that as long as a person remains a world citizen and conformer he is lost and an enemy of God. *⁴You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.*

Loving this world is hating God, rejecting His sovereignty and choosing a life of rebellion to Him.

Who you hang out with matters.