

What Can We Do?

Revelation 3:17-19

Buy from Jesus-

a. Gold-

James 1:2-4; Pro 17:3.

b. White Garments-

Rev 19:8.

c. Eye salve-

The Blessed	The Woe'd
Poor in spirit	Affluent and comforted by the world
Hungry for God	Abundantly fed and stuffed full of materialism
Weeping because of sin	Amused by the world's entertainments
Scorned and insulted for Jesus	Applauded and popular

“..be zealous and repent.”

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:1-13; 1Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27. As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

Satisfied Now, Impoverished Later Pt. 2

Luke 6:24-26

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Introduction:

Revelation 3:17

Exodus 19:5-6

2Pe. 2:4-7

A “biblical world view” was defined as believing that absolute moral truth exists; the Bible is totally accurate in all of the principles it teaches; Satan is considered to be a real being or force, not merely symbolic; a person cannot earn their way into Heaven by trying to be good or do good works; Jesus Christ lived a sinless life on earth; and God is the all-knowing, all-powerful creator of the world who still rules the universe today.

- 1/5 Believers have this above view. Those 18-23 less than a ½% have the above world view.
- Church attendance is down 7% since 1991. 59% attend church.
- Bible reading is down 9% since 1991.
- Volunteerism is down 41% since 1991 to 29%.
- 2000- 33% evangelicals 18-35 have no problem with cohabitation.
- One college president confided he was puzzled by the Christians speaking out, and at the same time living with their significant other.
- Barna Research 2000- born again adults were more likely to experience a divorce than non-born again adults.

“Robert Gundry, “the evangelical enterprise has become worldly, materialism grips the church, pleasure seeking dominates us, evangelicals watch sensuality and violence like everyone else, immodesty is de jure, voyeurism and pornography and sexuality and divorce are on the rise.”

- Christians spending habits are no different. 8% of born again believers tithe. Believers spend 7 times more on entertainment than tithing.

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Genesis 18:12

Lamentations 1:7

Matthew 9:24

B. Their Outcome

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John 12:43

A. Their Description

JC Ryle- “To be universally popular is a most unsatisfactory symptom, and one of which a minister of Christ should always be afraid. It may well make him doubt whether he is faithfully doing his duty, and honestly declaring all the counsel of God.”

Colossians 3:22

Ephesians 6:6

1 Kings 22:6–8

James 4:4

B. The Outcome

1 Kings 22:13–14

Isaiah 30:10

Jeremiah 5:31

2 Timothy 4:3–4

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