

### "The World" Used three ways. 1.Hebrews 1:2; Hebrews 11:2; and Acts 17:24 refer to the physical universe as the "world." 2. In John 3:16 "the world" means the people who inhabit the earth. 3. The "world" of 1 John 2:15 is the dominion of Satan. cf. 2 Timothy 4:10

# Two Kingdoms ❖ Christ has a kingdom. 1 Timothy 6:15; 2 Samuel 7:14ff; Daniel 2:44; Acts 2 ❖ Satan has a kingdom. John 14:28-31; 16:8-11; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Ephesians 2:2

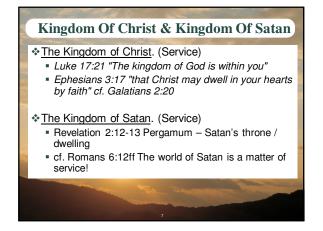
## Contrast and Conflict ❖ Between Christ and Satan there can be no peace or compromise. Matthew 12:30; John 8:44 ❖ There is no middle ground. James 4:4; John 15:18-19.

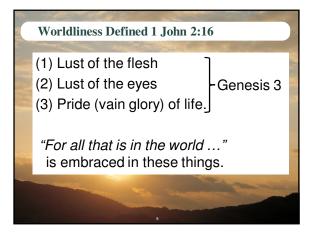
The Nature of Satan's Kingdom

❖The kingdom of Satan, like that of Christ, is not geographical.
❖It is a condition, relationship / sphere in which you live. cf. Matthew10:34ff

A child of the devil and a child of God may share the same roof.
They may be married to each other.
May be son or daughter.

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Worldliness Defined 1 John 2:16

"The Lust of the Flesh"

\*Sometimes "the flesh" (Greek soma)
means ONLY the physical body.
Galatians 6:17; Romans 4:19; 12:2

\*Sometimes "the flesh" (Greek sarx)
is used to denote the physical
body. Romans 2:28; 2 Corinthians
12:7

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"The Lust of the Flesh"

❖ Often "the flesh" (Greek sarx)
means more than flesh and blood
and bones. Sometimes giving too
much rein to the fleshly appetites.

■ Romans 7:25; 8:6-13; Galatians 5:19-21
Now we serve in Satan's world.

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The "lust of the eyes"

❖ That which gratifies the sight.
cf. Genesis 3:6; cf. Proverbs 23:2428; 4:25

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"The Pride of Life"

\* Boasting arrogance.
Genesis 3:6; cf. James 4:16 (10).

• Proverbs 8:13 "Pride and arrogancy ... do I hate."

• Proverbs 11:9 "When pride cometh, then cometh shame."

• Proverbs 16:5 "Everyone that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord."

• Proverbs 27:2 "Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth, a stranger, and not thine own lips."

\* Desire to be popular, to have the praise and approval of men.

\* Preachers: Compromised rather than be "cast out of the synagogue." (John 12:42-43)

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### **Conclusion:**

- Man is a dual creature. He is composed of flesh and spirit. cf. Romans 7:22-23
- Christ and Satan work from different directions.
  - Satan works through the flesh to gain control of the spirit.
  - Christ works on the spirit (heart inner man) to control the actions of the flesh. cf. Titus 2:11ff
- ❖Your choice. cf. Matthew 11:28

### **Conclusion:**

### Where is your spiritual citizenship?

- The kingdom of Christ or the kingdom of Satan?
- \*1 John 2:16-17 "For all the gold! vorld, the lust of the fighters is so of the FNot all that giory of life, is not of the FNot, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever."

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