

TWO PROBLEMS

"Worldliness is whatever makes sin look normal and righteousness look strange."

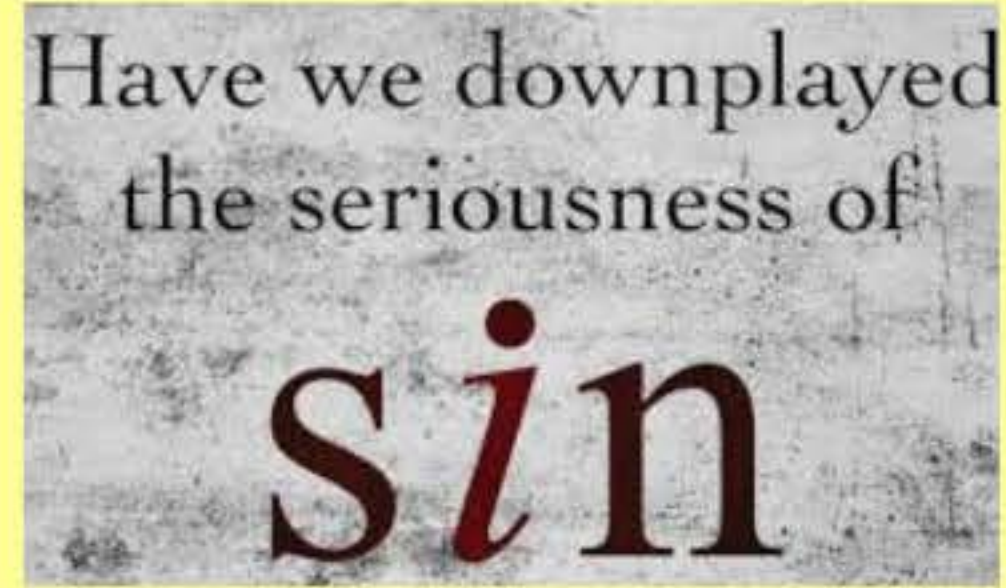
THERE IS WORLDLINESS AMONG GOD'S PEOPLE

- Lack of closeness with each other has contributed a lack of accountability
- "One another" has turned to an "to each his own" mentality

IT IS NOT DEALT WITH

- Not preached on at all or not enough
- Preached on but nothing else is done about it

Dealing With Worldliness



**WHAT IS
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**THE SPIRIT IT
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**SERIOUSNESS OF
WORLDLINESS**

**CHRISTIAN LIFE
IN CONTRAST TO
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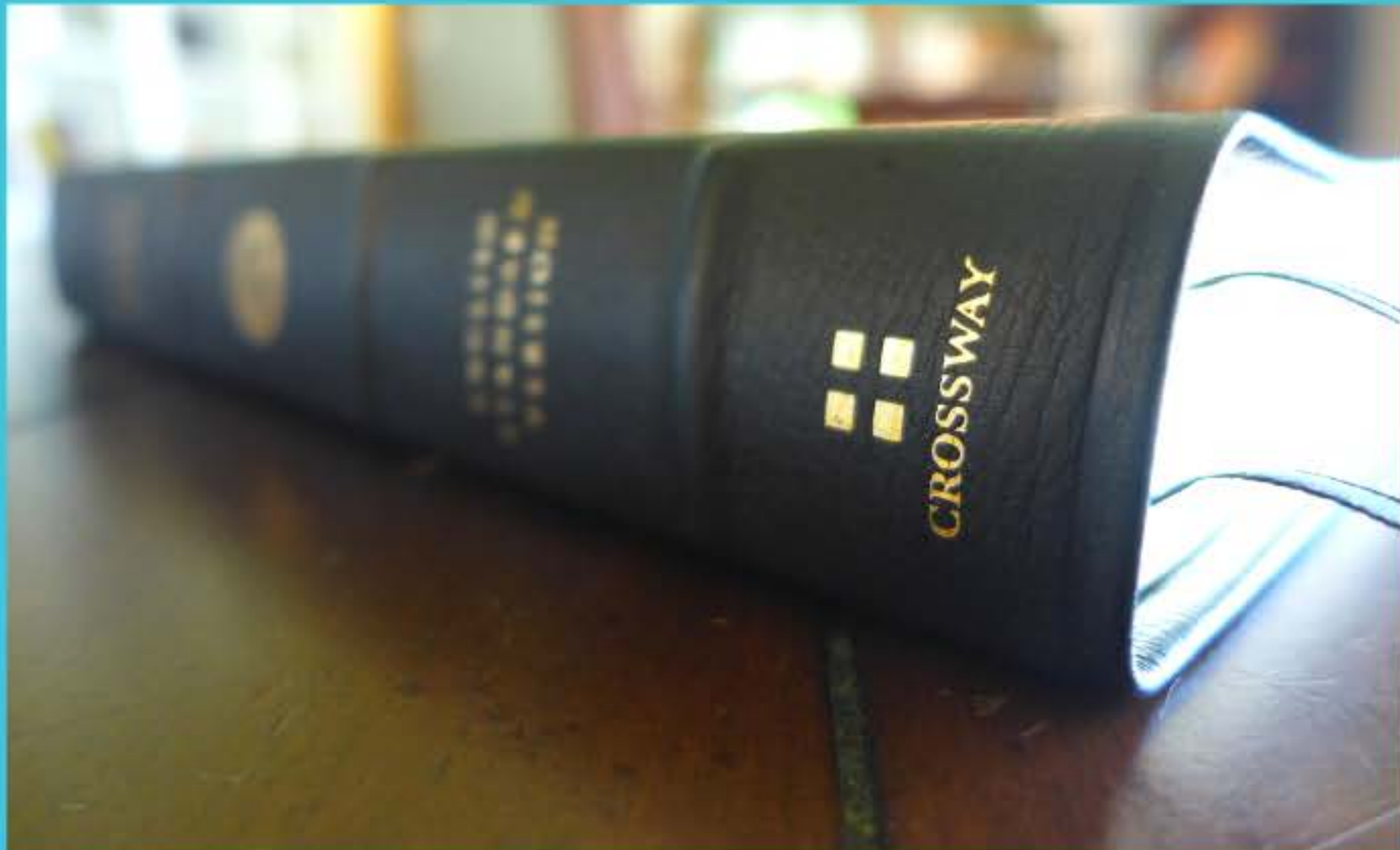
WHAT IS WORLDLINESS?



1 JOHN 2:15-17

"Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever."

WHAT IS WORLDLINESS?



PARTICIPATION IN SIN

- Spere on Iniquity

GIVEN TO A LIFE OF PASSIONS

- Given to a life of following passion

LIVING LIKE THE WORLD

- Not separate, no distinction

LIVING A LIFE DEVOTED TO THE TEMPORAL

- Devoted to the temporal and not
the spiritual life

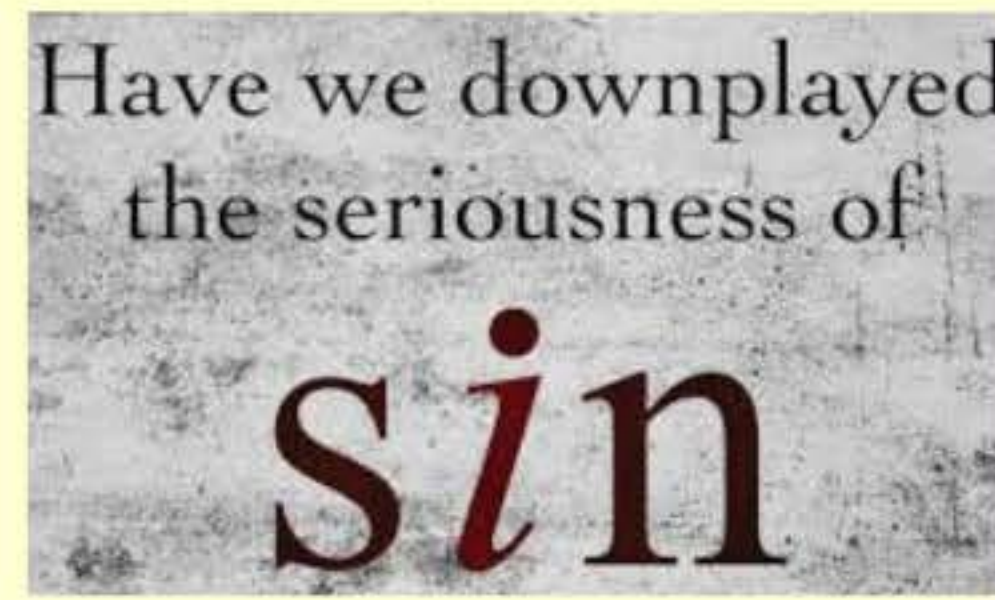
Many Manifestations of Worldliness

Drinking, Cursing, Smoking, Gambling, Fornication,
Immodesty, Watching filth, Lying, Stealing, Materialism...

A PERSON WHO
DRINKS AND CURSES
IS
WORLDLY

A PERSON CAN
BE WORLDLY
AND **NOT**
DRINK AND CURSE

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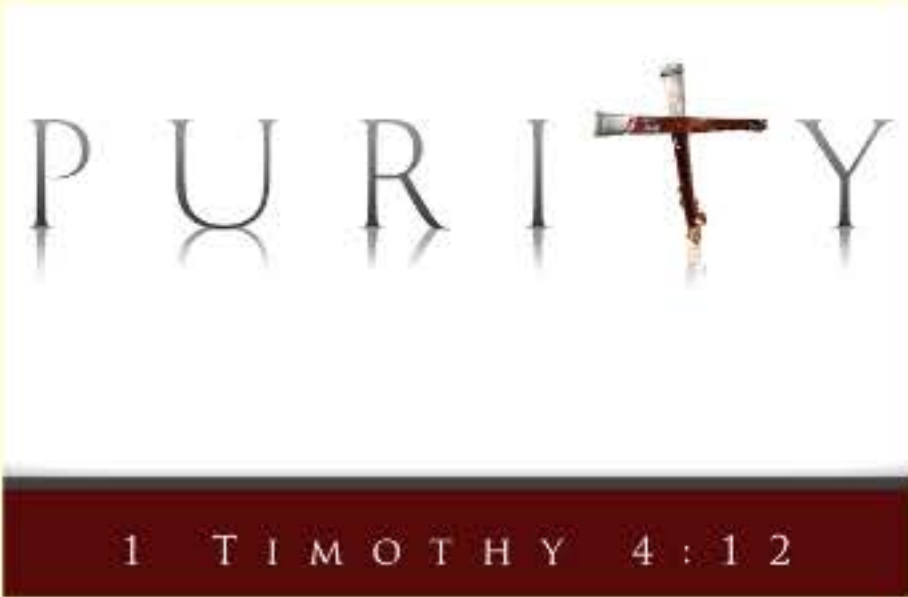
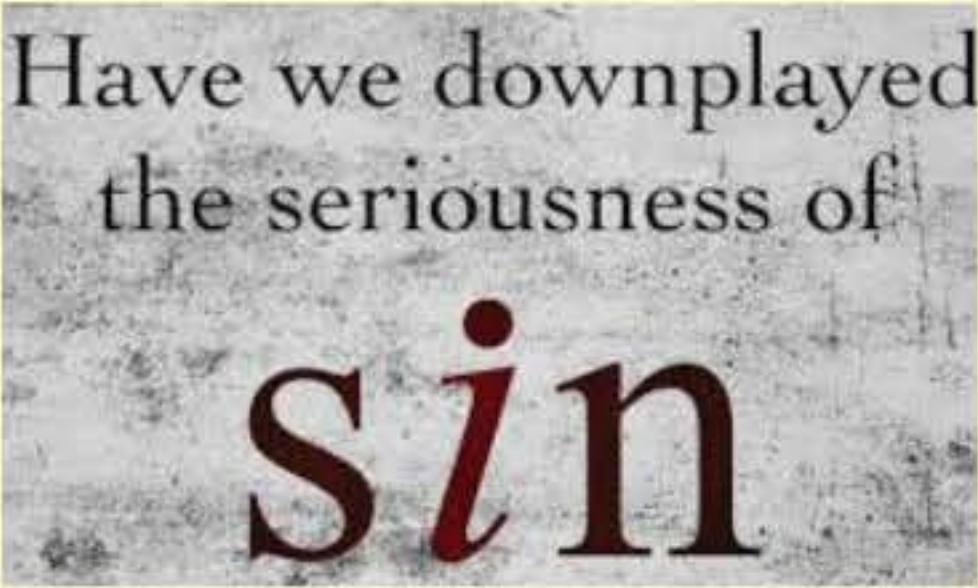
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**Softness
towards moral
questions:
Is. 30:5
Jer. 5:31;
6:14**

**Softness
towards word &
preaching:
1 John 2:5-17**

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The Seriousness of Worldliness

Separates from God

Lose your reputation

Lose your influence

Hinders your worship

Heart becomes hardened

Breeds other sins

Disfellowship

Hinders our race & growth

Suffer in this life

Eternal damnation

Js. 1:15; Rom. 5:12; Is. 59:1-2

Pr. 22:1; Prov. 6:27, 33

Rom. 2:24; 1 Tim. 4:12

Psa. 1:1-3

Heb. 6; 10; 1 Jn. 5:18

2 Sam. 11

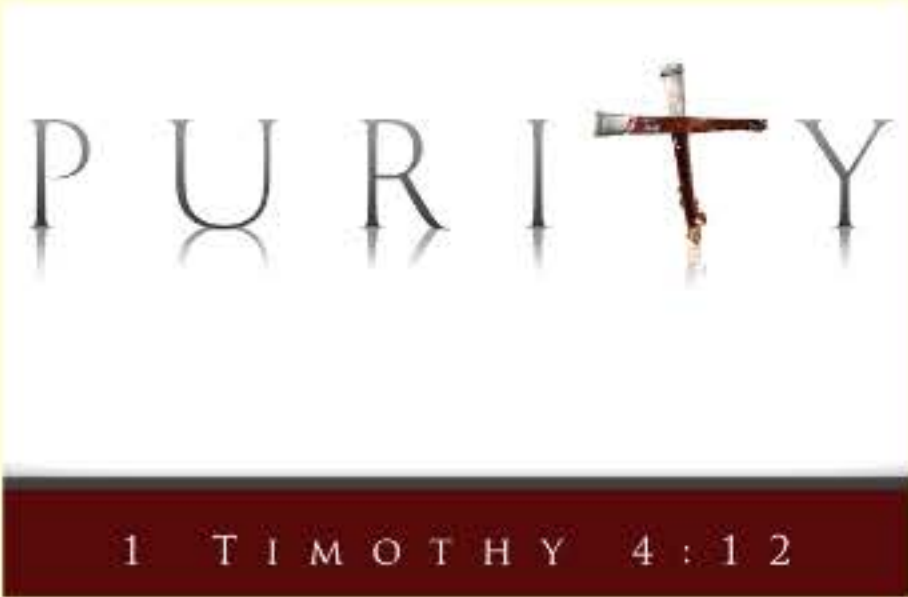
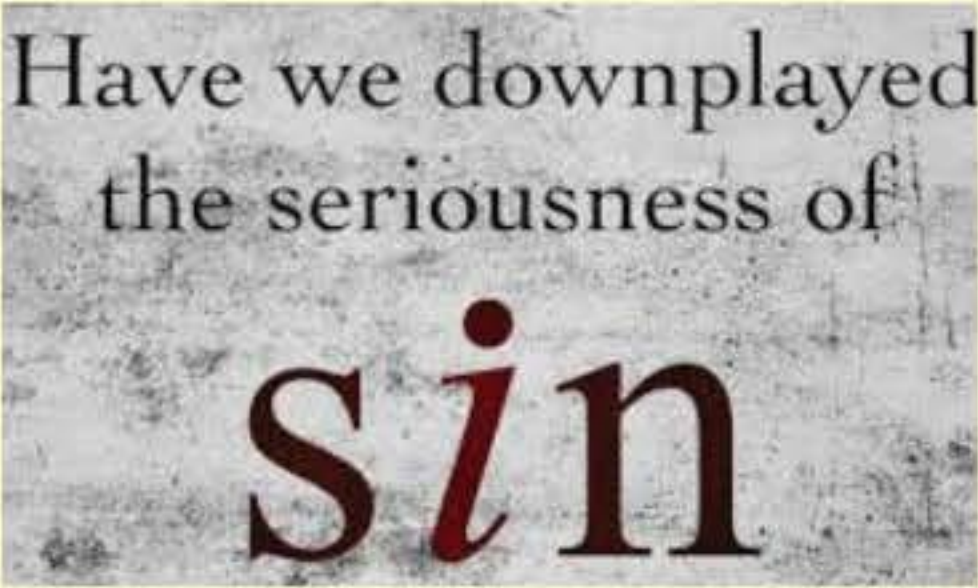
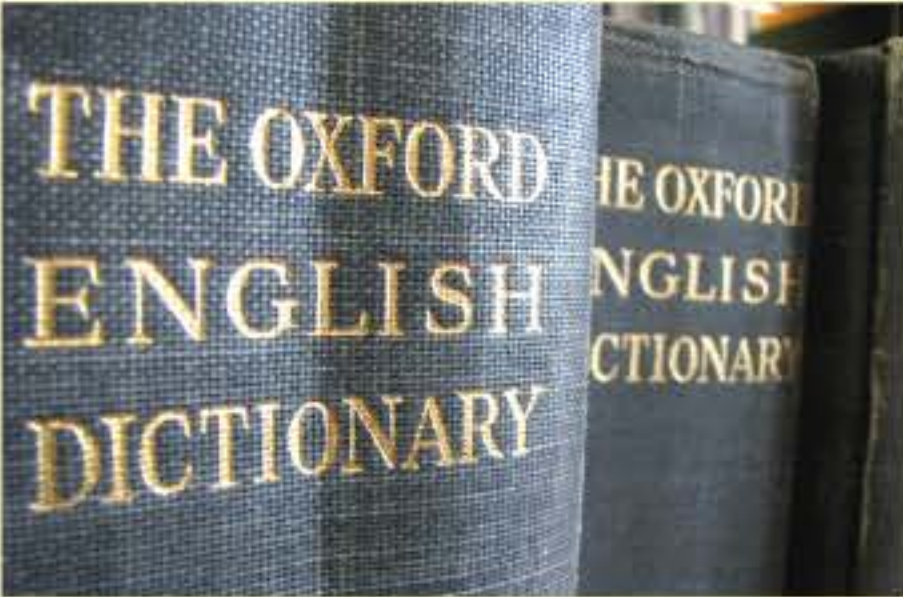
1 Cor. 5:1-13; 2 Thes. 3:6-15

Heb. 12:1-ff

Ex. 20:5; 34:7

Rom. 6:23; Rev. 21:8

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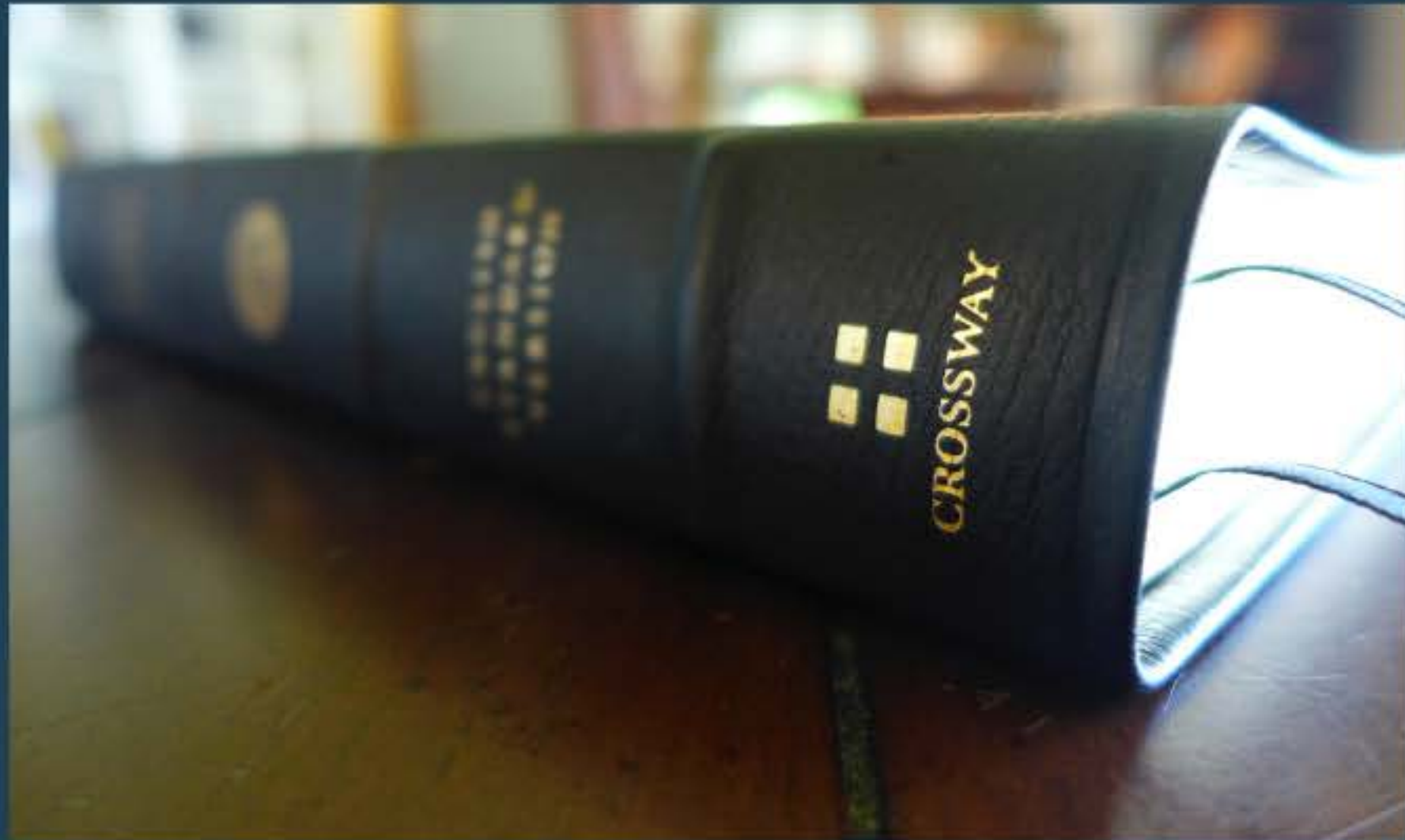
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The Christian Life Contrasted to Worldliness



Holy - 1 Peter 1:15-16; 4:1-3

Pure - 1 John 3:3

Law by which lives - 1 John 3:4

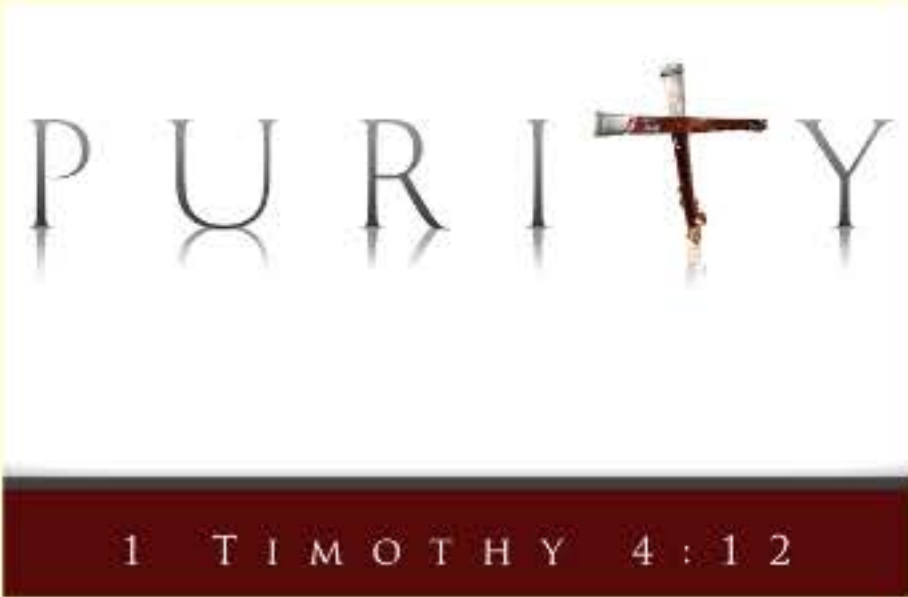
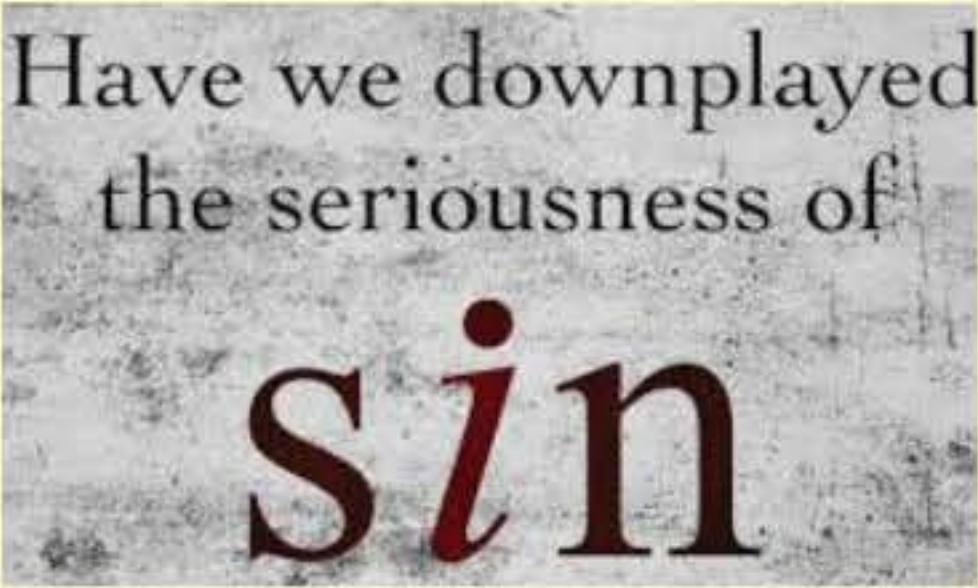
Fears God - 1 Timothy 2:9

Not continue in sin - Rom. 6; 1 John 3

Respect for word - Psa. 119:11

Separate from world - 2 Cor. 6:14-17

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