

# ***Being Holy in a Wicked World***

1: The Most Important Question in Anything  
(1 Thess 4:1-8)

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## **A) The Most Important Question in the Christian Life**

This is the most fulfilling motivation for living our life. (2 Cor 5:9; Col 1:9)

## **B) The Challenges of Pleasing God in a Wicked World**

**“Live as children of light . . . and find out what pleases the Lord.”** (Eph 5:8, 10). You are living your life in a jungle full of traps designed by your enemy to make you *displease* God and sin against Him (Jas 1:27; 1 John 5:19; Rom 12:1-2)

The *only* motivation that will be sufficient is your *love* for God. When the desire to please the Father we love kicks in, watch out! Because that is when the Holy Spirit kicks in and **“God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control”** (2 Tim 1:7)

## **C) The Meaning of Pleasing God in a Wicked World**

What is a holy life? (Rom 6:11-13; Eph 5:3; Col 3:5; 1 Tim 5:1-2; Matt 5:28-30; 1 Cor 6:18; 2 Tim 2:22)

**L.I.F.E. Group?:** What is something from the Sunday message that you want to believe and/or obey?