

From Bios to Zoe Part I

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

1 John 2:15-17

- I. Gurgling Beneath the Hood, the Sun and a Question
- II. Have you ever experienced this?
- III. What is the boastful pride of life?
 - A. Boastful Pride (al-ax-koh-nia)
 - B. Life (bios)
- IV. Why is the boastful pride of life so heinous, especially compared with desires of the flesh and desires of the eyes?
- V. 4 Ways the boastful pride of life creeps in
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.
 - D.
- VI. What John tells us to do about it (15, 17)
 - A. Negative Command
 - B. Positive Command

Questions:

1. Do you agree that the boastful pride of life is more heinous than the lust of the eyes or the flesh?
2. Which of the 4 ways stuck out to you the most of how the boastful pride creeps in?
3. When have you experienced the most freedom from the boastful pride of life?
4. What stories can you think of in Scripture where God delivers the person out of the boastful pride of life? How do these instances illustrate the Gospel in action, God moving to save us?

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