

Humility Cures Worldliness

Some in this world want to devour the bread, but do none of the baking. Some want God, but only as a figment of their imaginations. To those who think they can have their cake and eat it too, the words of James should be considered. He states, “Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double minded” (James 4:7-8). What James is telling us is that you cannot be a practicing saint and a practicing sinner at the same time. To be right with God, one must make the decision to “submit” to His will, and through obedience, cleansing oneself from sin. “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up” (vs. 10). Humble submission to the will of God will cure even the vilest of worldliness – and worldliness is sin.

Jesus says, “He who believes and is baptized shall be saved” (Mark 16:16). Peter, inspired by God says, “Repent and be baptized for the remission of your sins” (Acts 2:38). Paul was instructed by Jesus to, “Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins (Acts 22:16).

May we at the Cleveland church of Christ assist you in escaping worldliness? Join us for worship. Visitors are welcome.