

What matters
TO GOD MOST

SERMON SERIES

A value system is a set of principles that guide and drive our behavior.

Lesson Two:
THE POWER OF GODLY VALUES
(Part 1)



And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

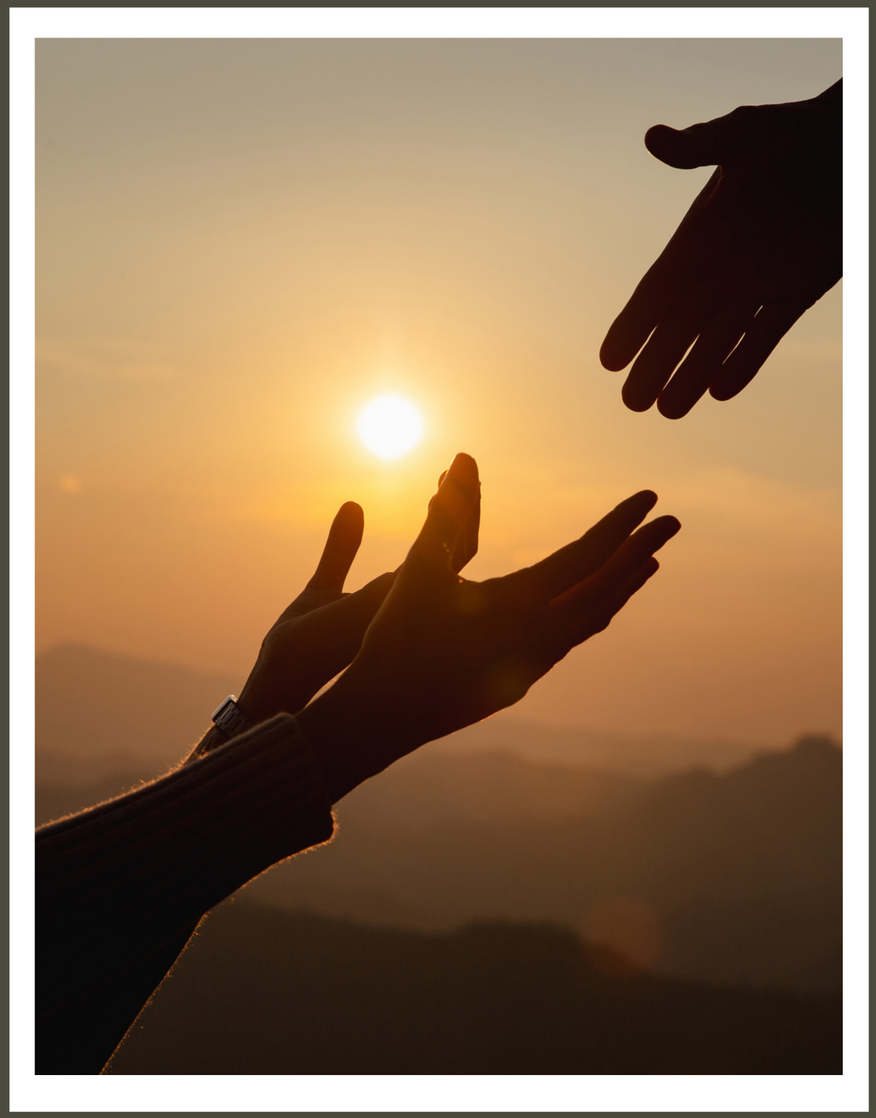
Philippians 1:9-11

If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed, but skill will bring success.
Ecclesiastes 10:10

Everything is permissible for me”—but not everything is beneficial. “Everything is permissible for me”—but I will not be mastered by anything.
1 Corinthians 6:12

Unclear values cause confusion which causes stress. Conflicting values cause tension. Wrong values create dysfunction.

Four Questions that will Determine Your Values and Your Destiny:



1. WHO’S GOING TO BE MY AUTHORITY?

THREE VALUE SOURCES:



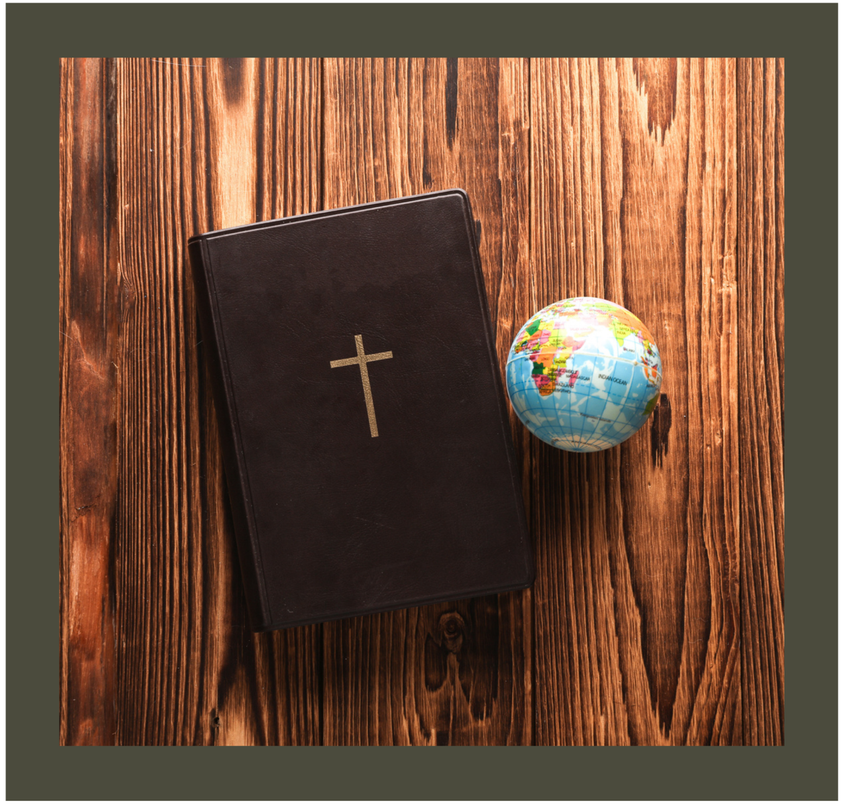
1. Self is a Value Source

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?
Jeremiah 17:9

There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.
Proverbs 16:25

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take.
Proverbs 3:5–6

2.The WORLD is a Value Source



Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.
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Three Things the World Values:

a. Appearance
I Samuel 16:7

b. Pleasure
2 Timothy 3:4

c. Materialism
Luke 12:16–21



3. GOD'S WORD is a Value Source

The Law from your mouth is more precious to me than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.
Psalms 119:72

Scripture Reference:
Psalm 19:7-11

“The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.”

“The power of God is found in the Word of God.”