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## 1Ti 6:11

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1. March the 18<sup>th</sup> was the last time I taught in 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy; consequently, I want to extensively review where we left off.

2. Before returning to our study, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.

3. Let me first give you an expanded translation of 1Ti 6:9-10.

# **Expanded Translation**

1Ti 6:9 All, and that includes pastor-teachers, who have an inordinate desire for wealth will invariably fall into temptation and become entrapped into many foolish and harmful desires. Such desires will plunge them into ruin and destruction.

1Ti 6:10 For you see the love of money is and keeps on being the root of all kinds of evil; some, because they craved money and the things it will buy have wandered from the faith thus piercing themselves with a great deal of divine discipline."

4. So far, we have exegeted that portion of verse 11 translated in the KJV: <u>"But thou, O</u> <u>man of God, flee</u> ..." noting it might better be rendered "**But you, man of God, it is imperative that you flee materialism lust** ..."

5. The entire verse has been translated in the KJV:

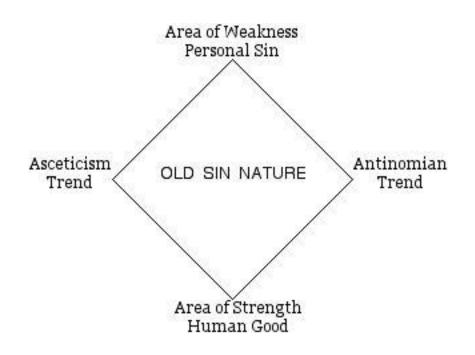
### KJV

1Ti 6:11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

6. Before we return to our exegesis, I want to review the Old Sin Nature chart and perhaps by so doing we can understand better understand "materialism lust."

7. Recall we all have an old sin nature and we never lose our OSN. It is also important to recall that nothing good that can come from the OSN.

8. Let's see where we get materialism lust. The best way to start is to study the OSN chart.



6. As an alternative to materialism lust, pastor-teachers are to seek after:

GODLINESS, FAITH, LOVE ευσεβεια, πιστισ, αγαπη

1. Eusebeia Pistis Agape is well translated "godliness, faith, love, ..."

2. **Eusebeia** is a noun declined as an accusative singular followed by the noun **Pistis** declined as an accusative singular and the noun **Agape** declined as an accusative singular.

3. **Eusebeia** appears 16 times in the New Testament where it is translated "holiness" or "godliness." Examples:

Acts 3:12 And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or **holiness** we had made this man to walk?

Acts 3:13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

Acts 3:14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

Acts 3:15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

1Ti 2:2 *We are to pray* For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all **godliness** and honesty.

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and **godliness**, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: 2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

2Pe 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

2Pe 1:6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience **godliness**;

2Pe 1:7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

4. **Pistis** appears some 50 times in the New Testament where it is translated in the KJV "faith, belief" or "fidelity." A related noun is **Pistos**, most often translated "faithful." The verb form of **Pistis** is **Pisteuo** meaning "to believe."

4.1 The object of one's faith in the spiritual realm takes on unprecedented importance. **Pisteuo**, is a transitive verb requiring a direct object. In the context of 1Ti 6:10 the noun **Pistis** refers to sound doctrine.

4.2 If you believe in your goodness to get you to heaven the Scripture warns such error will result in your spending eternity in the lake of fire. This is a direct predictable result of faith in an impotent object.

Joh 3:18 He that **believeth** on him is not condemned: but he that **believeth** not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Rom 4:3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham **believed** God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

Rom 4:4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. Rom 4:5 But to him that worketh not, but **believeth** on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.

5. Agape love is commanded in Scripture.

Joh 5:41 I receive not honor from men.

Joh 5:42 But I know you, that ye have not the **love** of God in you.

Joh 5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

5.1 If you love God you will do what the Spirit tells you to do -- a Kingdom Age command; put simply by our Lord and Savior in Joh 6:28-29 and Joh 14:15.

Joh 6:28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?

Joh 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

Joh 14:15 If ye **love** me, keep my commandments.

5.1.1 How do we perform that which is demanded in Joh 14:15? By using the two power options. The options are found in Rom 12:1-2.

Power Option # 1 Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Power Option # 2

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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