The New World Order Charles Stanley

I. Introduction.

A. Text: I John 2:16-17.

B. The world can mean the inhabited earth, the people of the earth or the world order. (Mark 16:15, John 3:16, Ephesians 2:1-2)

C. A world order is the arrangement of systems in the world.

D. Every new world order will establish change and control.

II. The world lies in the power of the evil one, but there are limits upon it. (I John 5:15, John 12)

A. It is originated by Satan and run by him.

B. It is in opposition to God. (Ephesians 6)

III. The philosophy of the system.

A. The sufficiency of man.

B. The pursuit of pleasures.

C. The security of possessions.

IV. Minds are blinded by Satan in this system. (I Corinthians 4)

V. The future of this world order.

A. It is passing away.

B. Every new world order passed away because they were simply expressions of the first world order Satan established in the Garden. (John 12)

C. Only the kingdom of God will work.

D. There will be world orders and antichrists before the kingdom comes though. (I John 2:22)

VI. The believer will survive the world order. (I John 5:4-5, John 17:15, 15:18)

A. We overcome the world by faith in Christ.

B. The believer is not to love the world.

C. We are not to be conformed to the world system. (Romans 12:2)

D. We are not to be a friend of the world or tarnished by it. (James 4)

E. We are not to operate according to the world system. (I Corinthians 2, 3:19)

VII. The believer's responsibility.

A. To live godly. (Titus 2:11)

B. To be a light to the world.

C. To be a witness to the world.

Application questions:

1. What is the new world order?

2. Why is it important to understand that this world order will not pass?

3. Who is a model for you of being a light to the world? How do they do this?