



"Love of Self"

"For men shall be lovers of their own selves..." (II Timothy 3:2)

- Prioritizing my time and finances to provide comfort, convenience, and luxury with which to indulge myself.
- Easily irritated when others interrupt or infringe upon my schedule, time, or plans.
- Monopolizing conversations by talking about myself, my problems, and my interests.
- Becoming resentful or defensive when my reputation is attacked.
- Inflexible to changes or alterations in my plans.
- Unable to be transparently honest with others, to seek forgiveness, to identify or admit my failures.
- Demanding that others adjust their lives and schedules around me.
- Insisting that things always be done my way.
- Communicating with a dogmatic, opinionated spirit.
- Insensitive to the physical or spiritual needs of those around me.
- Reluctant to sacrifice my time to minister to the needs of others.
- Seeking "the best," "the first," "the most" for myself.
- Expecting others to understand and accept me as I am, while being impatient with the failures of others.
- Insisting on my right to be happy and fulfilled.

"Love of Pleasure"

"...Lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God." (II Timothy 3:4)

- More interested in talking about sports, hobbies, or television programs than about the Lord.
- More interested in planning a vacation than in seeking out opportunities to grow spiritually and minister to others.
- Devoting more time, money, and effort to a hobby than to spiritually discipling the lives of my children.
- Enjoying spending hours watching television, movies, and videos, but getting bored listening to someone teach the Word of God.
- Greater appetite for physical food than for the spiritual meat of God's Word.
- More excited about attending a church dinner than a prayer meeting.
- Preferring sports activities, events, or programs over spiritual exercise in the Word and prayer.
- Neglecting or procrastinating difficult or distasteful responsibilities.
- Spending more time reading secular magazines, books, or newspapers than reading and studying the Word of God.
- Enjoying parties and jokes more than serious fellowship and interaction about spiritual matters.