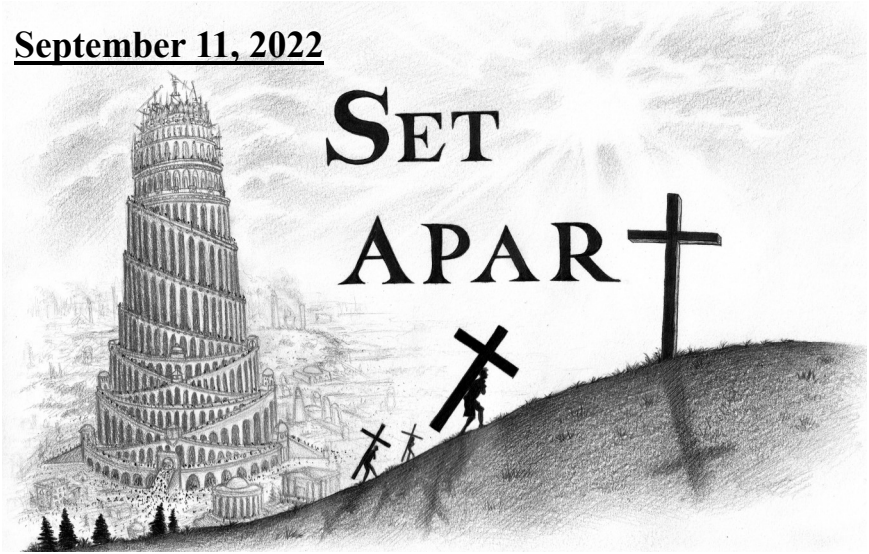


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SET APART

Am I useful to God?

2 Timothy 2:15-21

How to be useful to God:

1) Conform ourselves to the word of God.

Three false teachings

- **National Idolatry** - Tying Christian faithfulness or future hope to a political party or politician.
- **Prosperity Gospel** - Earthly health and wealth will be received in proportion to your faith.
- **Pluralistic or universal salvation** - Multiple, or all, religions and beliefs lead to the true God and salvation.

2) Eliminate the sin in our lives.

3) Develop a repentant heart.

Memory Verses

2 Timothy 2:21 ... *"Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work."*

1 Peter 2:9–12 ... *"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation."*

Four tools God gives us for change:

Pray - James 5:16

Repent - 1 Corinthians 7:10

Affirm God's truth - Psalm 119:11

Yield to God's will - Romans 7:22-23

Scripture to Pray

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth."

John 17:15–17