

## Living Insight

How do we live faithful and godly lives in the midst of a godless world? We must dedicate ourselves to living holy lives before the Lord. A godless way of life is very easy to recognize. It is characterized by selfishness, pride, arrogance, hatred and sin. Those who live Christ-like lives bear good fruit for the Lord. The fruit of the Spirit is also very obvious. Our lives are filled with love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, faith and self-control when we are filled with His Holy Spirit. Let's keep in step with the Spirit.

~ Through His Grace, Mercy & Power,

*Ed*

## Prayer Requests



# Rising Above a Godless World



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Sermon Outline

**2 Timothy 3:1-5**

**Date: Sunday, January 26, 2014**

**Time: 11:00 A.M.**

## *Rising Above a Godless World*



### **I. Introduction: Get Ready for a Rough Ride.**

- A. Riding the “*Grizzly*” was not much fun.
  - 1. The roller coaster track went into the woods.
  - 2. It was located near the edge of the property.
  - 3. It was a very rough and wild ride.
- B. Paul was preparing Timothy for his rough ride.
  - 1. He warned Timothy about this godless world.
  - 2. “*Have nothing to do with them.*”
  - 3. They have a form of godliness. (3:5)
  - 4. They lack the power of a Christian
- C. We are now living in the last days.
  - 1. Prepare for a rough ride. ~ *Romans 1:18-32*
  - 2. We must guard our hearts. ~ *Proverbs 4:23*

### **II. Body: Rising Above a Godless World Today .....**

- A. Some people have no place for God in their lives.
  - 1. Even Israel rejected God! ~ *1 Sam. 8:6-7*
  - 2. The Jews rejected their own Messiah.
  - 3. We can become godless in our thinking.
- B. Godless people have a form of godliness.
  - 1. Jesus warned us about “sheep-like” wolves.
  - 2. Faithful Christians always bear good fruit.
  - 3. We are fruit-inspectors!  
~ *Matthew 7:15-20*
- C. Our faith is lived in powerful ways.
  - 1. Love is a powerful force for good.
  - 2. Peace is clearly seen in our lives.
  - 3. Self-discipline cannot be hidden.

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### **III. Conclusion: How Do We Live in a Godless World?**

- A. Pray for more faithful workers.
  - 1. The fields are ripe for the harvest.
  - 2. The workers are few.
- B. Choose your friends wisely.
  - 1. Godless people are to be avoided.
  - 2. We are the gate-keepers to our hearts.
- C. Stay close to God at all times.
  - 1. We control our own walk with God.
  - 2. We are always to be led by the Lord.

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