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What do I think about the most?		
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What do I do the most?	Part 3 Worship Wars Grace Assembly of God Pastor Wayne Murray	

Ask yourself: Who/what will you NOT worship and Who WILL you worship?

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"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. . . . "
Joshua 24:15

## THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

The good news is that the just and gracious Creator of the universe has looked upon hopelessly sinful men and women and has sent His Son, Jesus Christ, God in the flesh, to bear His wrath against sin on the cross and to show His power over sin in the resurrection, so that everyone who turns from their sin and themselves, and trusts in Jesus as Savior and Lord, will be reconciled to God forever.

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# END TIME INSANITY

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What are followers of Christ to do in the current culture?

Do we stand **AGAINST** culture? Or is that **CONTENTIOUS?**Do we stand **DOWN** from our culture? Or is that **COMPROMISE?**Do we stand **ASIDE** from culture? Or is that **COWARDICE?**Do we stand **UP** in our culture? That takes **COURAGE** & **CONVICTION**- David Jeremiah, Agents of Babylon

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### **TODAY'S BIG IDEA**

Your faith will be tested in Babylon (the last days).

"King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold, ninety feet high and nine feet wide, and set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. He then summoned the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates and all the other provincial officials to come to the dedication of the image he had set up. So the satraps, prefects, governors, advisers, treasurers, judges, magistrates and all the other provincial officials as-Nebuchadsembled for the dedication of the image that King nezzar had set up, and they stood before it. Then the herald loudly proclaimed, "This is what you are commanded to do, O peoples, nations and men of every language: As soon as you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipes and all kinds of music, you must fall down and worship the image of gold that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace."

**Daniel 3:1-6** 

"Finally these men said, "We will never find any basis for charges against this man Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God." So the administrators and the satraps went as a group to the king and said: "O King Darius, live forever! The royal administrators, prefects, satraps, advisers and governors have all agreed that the king should issue an edict and enforce the decree that anyone who prays to any god or man during the next thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be thrown into the lions' den. Now, O king, issue the decree and put it in writing so that it cannot be altered--in accordance with the laws of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed." So King Darius put the decree in writing."

**Daniel 6:5-9** 

In the last days there will be a test over who you will \_\_\_\_\_

Lucifer's fall from heaven Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28

"It is for your (God's) pleasure we were created . . . "

Revelation 4:11

"Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God."

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4

"Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived. He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed. He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name."

**Revelation 13:14-17** 

The spirit of Babylon is the spirit of antichrist, which is already in the world.

## 1. Exalt Above God

"Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king,
"O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in
this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve
is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king.
But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not
serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."

**Daniel 3:16-18** 

2.	the Worship	of God

Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before. Then these men went as a group and found Daniel praying and asking God for help. So they went to the king and spoke to him about his royal decree: "Did you not publish a decree that during the next thirty days anyone who prays to any god or man except to you, O king, would be thrown into the lions' den?" The king answered, "The decree stands--in accordance with the laws of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed."

**Daniel 6:10-12** 

#### THE WORSHIP TEST

(according to Jesus)
"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul and all your mind and all your strength."

Mark 12:30

With your HEART and SOUL

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What do you love the most?

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