

In the World but Not of It

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A.W. Tozer emphasizes the importance of spiritual withdrawal and the pursuit of true nourishment away from worldly distractions.

Scripture: John 17:14

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Description

A.W. Tozer emphasizes that Christians are called to bless the world without compromising their values, advocating for a spiritual withdrawal from worldly distractions. He illustrates that true fulfillment, like a bee seeking honey, is found away from the noise of superficial faith. Tozer suggests that believers may need to walk a lonely path, often aligning with a minority that seeks genuine power through faith. The message encourages Christians to prioritize spiritual depth over societal acceptance, highlighting that true power comes at a cost.

Transcript

We are sent to bless the world, but never are we told to compromise with it. Our glory lies in a spiritual withdrawal from all that builds on dust. The bee finds no honey while crawling around the hive. Honey is in the flower far away where there is quiet and peace and the sun and the flowing stream; there the bee must go to find it. The Christian will find slim pickings where professed believers play and pray all in one breath. He may be compelled sometimes to travel alone or at least to go with the ostracized few. To belong to the despised minority may be the price he must pay for power. But power is cheap at any price.

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