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- Ezekiel was told that God's people would come in to him to hear his words, but that they were only following after their own lustful desires with their wicked hearts.
- And they will come in to you, like the coming in of people, and sit before you as my people, and they will certainly hear your words but these they will not do, for with their mouth they are expressing lustful desires and after their unjust gain is where their heart is going. (Ezekiel 33:31)
- Jesus showed through an illustration that the desires of men's hearts for material things choke off the word of truth, and it becomes unfruitful.
- But the anxieties of this system of things and the deceptive power of riches and the desires for the rest of the things make inroads and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. (Mark 4:19)
- If any man desires to do God's will, then he will understand about the teachings whether they come forth from Yehowah God.
- If anyone desires to do His will, he will know concerning the teaching whether it is from God or I speak of my own originality. (John 7:17)
- Jesus showed that his Jewish listeners came forth from Satan the Devil, and they were expressing desires that originated with him, like lying.
- You are from your father the Devil, and you wish to do the desires of your father. That one was a manslayer when he began, and he did not stand fast in the truth, because truth is not in him. When he speaks the lie, he speaks according to his own disposition, because he is a liar and the father of the lie. (John 8:44)

- Yehowah God lets men who desire bad things go after them, giving them up to the desires of their hearts, such as with homosexuals, and smokers.
- Therefore God, in keeping with the desires of their hearts, gave them up to uncleanness, that their bodies might be dishonored among them. (Romans 1:24)
- Christians must not let sin rule over them as a king of their lives, obeying the desires of their fleshly bodies.
- Therefore do not let sin continue to rule as king in your mortal bodies that you should obey their desires. (Romans 6:12)
- Paul counseled fellow spirit anointed Christians not to be planning ahead for the desires of the flesh.
- But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not be planning ahead for the desires of the flesh. (Romans 13:14)
- Those who belong to Christ impaled in death, the passions and desires of the fleshly body.
- Moreover, those who belong to Christ Jesus impaled the flesh together with its passions and desires. (Galatians 5:24)
- Paul showed that before becoming spirit anointed Christians they all had followed their own fleshly desires, doing what their fleshly bodies desired, and the end of that course was only death.
- Yes, among them we all at one time conducted ourselves in harmony with the desires of our flesh, doing the things willed by the flesh and the thoughts, and we were naturally children of wrath even as the rest. (Ephesians 2:3)
- The old personality that a spirit anointed Christians held before becoming such, was corrupted according to fleshly desires.
- That you should put away the old personality which conforms to your former course of conduct and which is being corrupted according to his deceptive desires. (Ephesians 4:22)
- Those who are determined to be rich fall victim to many senseless and hurtful desires, which all end up in destruction and ruin.

- However, those who are determined to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and many senseless and hurtful desires, which plunge men into destruction and ruin. (1 Timothy 6:9)
- Paul encourages Timothy to flee from the desires incidental to being a young man, but to pursue the more permanent qualities of righteousness, faith, love and peace, just as many of his more mature brothers were doing.
- So, flee from the desires incidental to youth, but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace, along with those who call upon the Lord out of a clean heart. (2 Timothy 2:22)
- Paul warned Timothy of men who slipped into the congregation leading away weak women loaded down with sins, and led by various wrong desires.
- For from these arise those men who slyly work their way into households and lead as their captives weak women loaded down with sins, led by various desires. (2 Timothy 3:6)
- Paul also warned Timothy of a time when Christians would not accept healthful teachings, but following their own desires, would seek out the kinds of teachers that told them what they wanted to hear.
- For there will be a period of time when they will not put up with the healthful teaching, but, in accord with their own desires, they will accumulate teachers for themselves to have their ears tickled. (2 Timothy 4:3)
- Paul showed Titus that Yehowah God wants his spirit anointed Christian sons to repudiate ungodliness and worldly desires.
- Instructing us to repudiate ungodliness and worldly desires and to live with soundness of mind and righteousness and godly devotion amid this present system of things. (Titus 2:12)
- He also showed Titus that spirit anointed Christians were once themselves slaves to various desires and pleasures.
- For even we were once senseless, disobedient, being misled, being slaves to various desires and pleasures, carrying on in badness and envy, abhorrent, hating one another. (Titus 3:3)

- Peter encouraged his spirit anointed Christian brothers not to fashion their lives after the desires they formerly had, when they were spiritually ignorant of the true God and his ways.
- As obedient children, quit being fashioned according to the desires you formerly had in your ignorance. (1 Peter 1:14)
- Peter counseled his spirit anointed Christian brothers to keep abstaining from fleshly desires, for such desires carried on a conflict with their souls.
- Beloved, I exhort you as aliens and temporary residents to keep abstaining from fleshly desires, which are the very ones that carry on a conflict against the soul. (1 Peter 2:11)
- Christians should live the remainder of their lives on earth no more for the desires of men, or to please mere men, but to accomplish God's will.
- To the end that he may live the remainder of his time in the flesh, no more for the desires of men, but for God's will. (1 Peter 4:2)
- Peter warned of men coming into the Christian congregation who uttered flowery expressions of no spiritual value, and led people to wrongdoing by appealing to the desires of the flesh and loose habits.
- For they utter swelling expressions of no profit, and by the desires of the flesh and by loose habits they entice those who are just escaping from people who conduct themselves in error. (2 Peter 2:18)
- Peter warned that in the Last Days there would come forth men into the Christian congregation who would ridicule other's faith, and proceed according to their own desires.
- For you know this first, that in the last days there will come ridiculers with their ridicule, proceeding according to their own desires (2 Peter 3:3)
- Yehowah is patient with the sons of mankind, for he does not desire any to be destroyed, but desires all to attain to repentance.
- Yehowah is not slow respecting his promise, as some people

consider slowness, but he is patient with you because he does not desire any to be destroyed but desires all to attain to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9)

- Jude warned of men coming into the Christian congregation who would murmur and complain about their lot in life, and proceed according to their own desires.
- These men are murmurers, complainers about their lot in life, proceeding according to their own desires, and their mouths speak swelling things, while they are admiring personalities for the sake of their own benefit. (Jude 1:16)
- Jude also like Peter, warned about ridiculers, who would follow after their own desires for ungodly things.
- How they used to say to you; In the last time there will be ridiculers, proceeding according to their own desires for ungodly things. (Jude 1:18)