

Daily Morning Message

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Daily Lectionary Readings    Psalm 135  
   Daniel 6:1-28  
   1 John 2:12-17

Today's Scripture Verse:    *Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; for all that is in the world – the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches – comes not from the Father but from the world. (1 John 2:15-16)*

What it means:                The “world” in this passage from 1 John is not the world of nature, the world of family, or even the world of human affairs. It is the world of self-centered desire, the world of winning over others, the world of wanting things under our own control. All this is idolatry in John’s mind. It does not come from God.

Our time of reflection:    John invites us to consider the peace that we will achieve if we begin with the knowledge of God and center our own desires in the love God holds for all creation.

