

3. Suffering \_\_\_\_\_,

verses 14-18

(Galatians 6:7) "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."



4. Becoming \_\_\_\_\_, verse 19

(2 Chronicles 32:26) "Then Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his heart, he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD did not come upon them in the days of Hezekiah."

(Proverbs 11:2) "When pride comes, then comes shame; But with the humble is wisdom."

(Ephesians 5:15-17) "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, [16] redeeming the time, because the days are evil. [17] Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is."



# The Shepherds

## God Tests His Man III

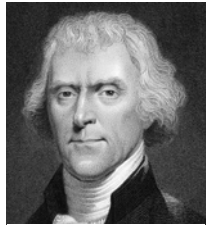
(1 John 2:15) "Do not love the world or the things in the world. ..."

Test #3, seduction by the world, can be divided into 4 stages (2 Kings 20):

**1. Enjoying** \_\_\_\_\_, verses 12-13

(Isaiah 39:1) "... for he heard that he had been sick and had recovered.

(Isaiah 39:2) And Hezekiah was pleased with them, ..."



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(1 John 2:15-16) "Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. [16] For all that is in the world; the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life; is not of the Father but is of the world."

**2. Becoming** \_\_\_\_\_, verse 13

(2 Chronicles 32:31) "However, regarding the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, whom they sent to him to inquire about the wonder that was done in the land, God withdrew from him, in order to test him, that He might know all that was in his heart."

(James 4:4) "Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God."

(1 Thessalonians 5:17) "pray without ceasing,"

(Ephesians 6:18) "praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit...;"

(Philippians 4:8) "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, .. just, .. pure, .. lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy; meditate on these things."

(Psalms 101:3) "I will set nothing wicked before my eyes; ..."

(Romans 1:32) "... knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them."

