Keeping Ourselves Unspotted from the World

(Lesson 46)

Introduction:

- 1. We learn from James 1:27 that "pure and undefiled religion before God" includes "keeping ourselves unspotted from the world."
- 2. Thankfully, God has revealed information in His Word that will help us to remain free from the world's spots.
- 3. In this lesson we are concentrating on the instructions that are recorded in Romans 12-13.
- 4. Before we study these instructions, . . .

Discussion:

- I. LET US FIRST OBSERVE HOW WE ARE MADE FREE FROM SIN
 - A. We are made free from sin when we obey the Gospel (Romans 6:1-7).
 - B. Freedom from sin is a cause for thanksgiving (Romans 6:17-18).
 - C. We are to remain free from sin [unspotted from the world] (Romans 6:19-22).
- II. LET US OBSERVE FROM ROMANS 12-13 HOW TO REMAIN FREE FROM SIN
 - A. Romans 12
 - 1. (vs.1) We are to present ourselves as proper sacrifices to God.
 - 2. (vs.2) Rather than be conformed to this world we are to be transformed.
 - 3. (vs.3-8) We must use our God-given talents to fulfill our responsibilities.
 - 4. (vs.9-21) We must fulfill our responsibilities to other people.
 - B. Romans 13
 - 1. (vs.1-7) We must fulfill our civil responsibilities.
 - 2. (vs.8-10) We must practice the second commandment.
 - 3. (vs.11-14) We must maintain a sense of urgency about keeping ourselves unspotted from the world.