# WHEN WE GIVE We Choose the Eternal over the Temporary Part 1

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gratification of sensual appetites by gorging on what this Age offers

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## How do we choose the Temporary? Actions

 verses 9 and 10 "purposing to get rich" "love of money" prioritize acquiring what this Age offers Goal: to Not Give

verse 10 "straining for it"
 obsessively pursue what this Age offers
 Actions: to Get



What happens when we choose the Temporary? Results verses 9, 10, and 17 we suffer the Results of Actions that successfully accomplish the Goal to acquire what this Age offers

**NOTE:** 2 Peter 3:9, John 3:16

We weren't created for this Age, for the Temporary.

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- "plunge deep into ruin and destruction" vs 9

4 Stages James 1:13-15

Craving

Tempted

Trapped

Ruined

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