

Is it a Slow Leak?

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A devastating avalanche in the Swiss Alps was not triggered by an earthquake but by the sun's warm rays on the snow which caused the force of adhesion to gradually be overcome by the force of gravity. The resultant consequence of which was catastrophic, and sadly, many people were killed at the bottom of the mountain. Similarly, the deflection of a believer to the 'world' does not necessarily mean a sudden 'blow-out' but it is often caused by a slow leak! Is that secretly taking place in your life also?

Many Christians sadly deflect from their 'labor of love as unto the Lord' and become fascinated with what the 'world' offers. The Apostle Paul wrote, *"Demas hath forsaken me having loved this present world"* 2 Timothy 4:10. Does this "present world" also deflect your life from having a vital, progressive personal relationship with the Lord?

The Word of God warns us of: *"All that is in the world, the lust of the flesh; the lust of the eyes and the pride of life"* 1 John 2:16. As a believer, do I guard myself so that nothing causes me to deflect from my absolute love and total commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ? Do I remember that:

The "Flesh," means—**pleasure** without responsibility?

The "Eyes," means—**possessions** without responsibility?

The "Pride," means—**position** without responsibility?

Am I experiencing a 'slow leak' in my spiritual life? Am I being 'conformed to His image,' or will it take an 'avalanche' for God to get my attention?