



Do not make an idol for yourself in the shape of anything in the heavens above or on the earth below or in the waters under the earth.

Deut. 5:8 HCSB

IDOLATRY: Making a good thing the ultimate thing

What do we make idols?

-Pleasure/Love -People -Money/Power

-Entertainment -Pride/Ego -Relationships

You must not bow down to them or whorship them, because I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God... **Deut. 5:9a HCSB**

So what is the issue here?

- Idolatry is not an issue, it is *the* issue of the heart.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **Matt. 6:21 HCSB**

What is so bad about (insert good thing here)?

- God wants us to enjoy His creation, but not at the expense of enjoying Him

We let our goals become our gods

- We have been given an opportunity at a full life that is complete in Christ

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Let us know if you are planning on joining us!

SMALL GROUP

Women Cafe Connection

@Panera Bread 6:30pm, Last Thursday of each month



So you have been raised with the Messiah, seek what is above, where the Messiah is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on what is above, not on what is on the earth. **Col. 3:1-2 HCSB**

Therefore, put to death what belongs to your worldly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry.

Col. 3:5 HCSB

And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. **Col 3:17 HCSB**

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

* **Identify what we misuse and learn to love it properly**

We might need to fast from what we love too much

* **Remember that we are living a life of worship**

We have to decide who is worthy of our worship - us, our idols, or God?

* **Begin to find our joy first in the grace of God**

God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in Him. - Dr. John Piper