

Reflection Questions February 11, 2024 The Decalogue – Right Worship Exodus 20:4-6

The second commandment highlights the importance of properly worshiping God and avoiding idolatry. It tells us that man-made attempts to represent God through images are derogatory and inadequate. How has God provided the only 'image' we need of Him through the Lord Jesus Christ?

Reflection Questions:

- 1. In what ways do we see the second commandment being misapplied or misunderstood in today's culture?
- 2. Why is it problematic to attempt to represent God through images or idols? What does this reveal about our understanding of God's transcendence and uniqueness?
- 3. How does the concept of God's immense jealousy impact our understanding of worship? What does it mean to worship Him in the right way?
- 4. What are some common ways we break the second commandment in our worship and daily lives? How can we become more aware of these tendencies and work towards repentance and obedience?
- 5. How does Jesus Christ serve as the ultimate image of God for us? How does this truth shape our worship and understanding of God's nature?
- 6. What does it mean for believers to be conformed into the image of Christ? How does this relate to our purpose as God's representatives in the world?
- 7. In what ways can we actively strive to live by God's law and serve as testimony to His glory? How can we pass this understanding on to future generations?
- 8. How does the assurance of our salvation through Christ empower us to walk in obedience and proper worship? How does this encourage us to live a life that praises God's glory?