

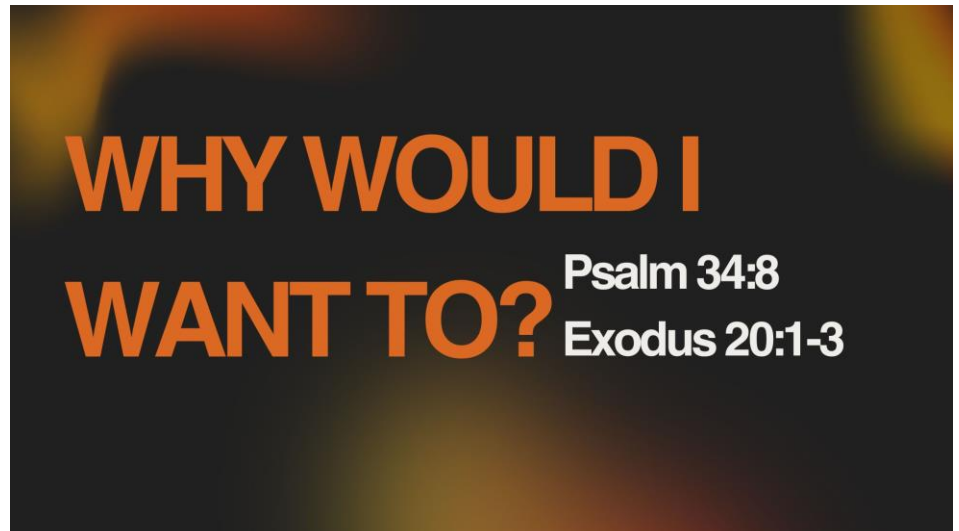
Definition Of Idolatry –

Webster - The worship of a physical object as a god immoderate attachment or devotion to something

Hebrew words for Idolatry –
 aven, elil, gllulim, pesel, teraphim, atsab

Greek for Idolatry

Eidólolatria(i-do-lo-la-TREE-ah) . image-worship {literally or figuratively}



Josh's Definition - anyone and anything that you put in front of King Jesus at any single time

Psalm 34:8, Exodus 20:1-3 - David challenges us to experience God's goodness for himself or herself. It could only come through a personal encounter. God is above nature, God is personal, God is good; God is holy

1: We can't let the things we think we need distract us from the one we need | Luke 12:22- 31

God provides for the birds, and even takes care of the flowers, so He will also certainly take care of you | We are confident of the power and care of a loving heavenly Father | Physical well-being is not a worthy object to devote our lives unto | Seek first the kingdom of God everyday

2: Keep things in their rightful place: Jesus 1st and everything else a very distant second | Luke 14:25-27, Ephesians 4:5-6

Set Jesus first| Jesus is Lord over absolutely over anything and everything | He will give me everything I need for life and Godliness | He promises heavenly treasure, rest in divine provision, and fulfillment of God's highest purpose for man - fellowship with Him, and being part of His kingdom

3. We tend to serve things based on our circumstances and this allows us to justify our actions | Exodus 32:1-6, 1 Peter 5:7, Matthew 11:28, Isaiah 41:10, Philippians 4:6-7

How you act or react to situations shows who you really are | It is really important to live with a clear head and try to live with self-control | Turn to Jesus

4. The things I serve, are the things my kids may serve | Proverbs 22:6, Joshua 24:14-15

Our kids are always watching us | you and your kids don't have to fall into the same generational trap|

Deal with the high places | 1 Kings 11:1-7

Solomon began to compromise | Putting away sin or idols doesn't mean that we just get out of the way so our kids cannot touch it, it means throwing it away | Deal with the high places in our life and tear them down.

5. We tend to serve things from a place of status quo | John 5:1-8, Romans 12:1-2

We have just come to accept our brokenness and bondage| Jesus came to change the status quo| It is time to get up of the place you have been in and go into a place of freedom| God is calling you to take your status quo life and give it to Him

6. Why would I want to serve anything or anyone but King Jesus?| 1 Peter 2:24, Romans 5:8, John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Ephesians 2:4-5, Isaiah 53:5, Colossians 1:20

The short and easy answer is that I wouldn't because of what He did for me on the cross