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Exodus 32:1-14 // When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, "Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." ² So Aaron said to them, "Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." ³ So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord." ⁶ And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play. ⁷ And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. ⁸ They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" ⁹ And the Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰ Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you." ¹¹ But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, 'With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.'" ¹⁴ And the Lord relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

Overcoming Idolatry Exodus 32:1-14

I. What causes idolatry?

- A. Impatience (v. 1)
- B. Lack of trust

II. What is idolatry?

- A. Looking to something or someone (v. 4)
- B. Something good that is used for idol worship (v. 2-3)
- C. Not an outright denial of God (v. 5-6)

III. How do you overcome idolatry?

- A. The intercession of Moses (v. 7-14; Deut. 9:25)
- B. The intercession of Christ (Rom. 8:34)
- C. The expulsive power of a new affection

APPLICATION GUIDE

1. What situation in life has you disappointed with God and his timing? How has this caused you to turn to something or someone for satisfaction and fulfillment that only God can provide?
2. What false gods (idols) do you worship? How have they disappointed you and failed to deliver what you are looking for?
3. What are some of the insufficient ways you seek to overcome idolatry in your life? What is the 'expulsive power of a new affection'? What does this say about Christ and his role in overcoming your idolatry?