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WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

Sunday, January 4, 2026

Sermon Title: Living With An Undivided Heart

Scripture: 1 John 5:21

Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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AGES: 3 years-3rd grade

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Sermon Notes

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Living With An Undivided Heart

Big Idea

Only Jesus satisfies, sustains, and secures.

1 John 5:21

To “keep yourself from idols” (1 John 5:21) means to guard your heart from anything that replaces God as the ultimate focus and source of your love, trust, and identity.

Attachments act as barriers - like a cord tethering a bird to the earth - that obstruct a free, loving relationship with God. These attachments focus on self-gratification or security rather than divine purpose.

What are some idols or attachments?

Anything taking God's place:

Wealth, career, relationships, reputation, success, hobbies, or even your own opinions/experiences

False teachers/beliefs:

As John warned against false teachers in his time, "idols" can also mean false doctrines or philosophies that distract from God's truth

Demands on your heart:

Anything that demands your ultimate love, thoughts, time, and desires, leaving you empty when unmet

How to Keep Yourself from Idols/Attachments

Active Guarding:

Identify Your Idols/Attachments

Place God at the Center

Check Your Reactions

Embrace Jesus

Sermon Questions

1. Which part of this message was most impactful for me and why?
2. How does my thinking need to adjust to align with the truths presented in this message?
3. How am I encouraged and strengthened through this message?
4. What actions does God want me to take? What is one action I can implement first?
5. What is going to be the most difficult aspect of this message for me to personally apply?