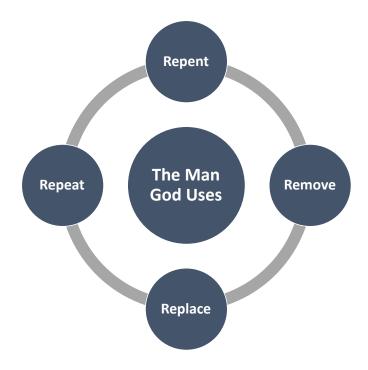
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Josiah REPENTED of his sin.

2 Chronicles 34

¹ Josiah was eight years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem thirty-one years. ² He did what was pleasing in the Lord's sight and followed the example of his ancestor David. *He did not turn away from doing what is right*. ³ During the eighth year of his reign, while he was still young, *Josiah began to seek the God* of his ancestor David.

Repentance is telling God - YES.

Josiah REMOVED the idols.

2 Chronicles 34

³³ So Josiah <u>removed all detestable idols</u> from the entire land of Israel and required everyone to worship the Lord their God. And throughout the rest of his lifetime, they did not turn away from the Lord, the God of their ancestors.

Anything you put **BEFORE** God is an **IDOL**.

An idol is often a <u>GOOD</u> thing that's become a <u>GOD</u> thing.

Good Thing.	God Thing.	
Wife	Become your savior instead of your partner.	
Kids	Become your purpose instead of your blessing.	
Home	Become your place to escape instead of serve.	
Job	Become your identity instead of your calling.	
Hobbies	Become your schedule instead of your Sabbath.	
Money	Become your security instead of God's provision.	
Sex	Become your master instead of your pleasure.	
Food	Become your addiction instead of your enjoyment.	
Power	Become your goal instead of God's gift.	

The only way to <u>REMOVE</u> an idol is to REPLACE it with truth.

Josiah REPLACED God at the center.

2 Chronicles 34:29-33

¹⁹ When the king heard what was written in the Law, he tore his clothes in despair. ²⁰ Then he gave these orders to Hilkiah... ²¹ "Go to the Temple and speak to the Lord for me and for all the remnant of Israel and Judah. Inquire about the words written in the scroll that has been found. For the Lord's great anger has been poured out on us because our ancestors have not obeyed the word of the Lord. <u>We have not been doing what the scroll says we must do</u>."

²⁹ Then the King summoned all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem. ³⁰ And the king went up to the Temple of the Lord with all the people of Judah and Jerusalem, along with the priests and the Levites - all the people from the greatest to the least. There the king read to them the entire Book of the Covenant that had been found in the Lord's Temple.

31 The King took his place of authority beside the pillar and renewed the covenant in the Lord's presence. He pledged to obey the Lord by keeping all his commands, laws, and decrees with all his heart and soul. He promised to obey all the terms of the covenant that were written in the scroll.

32 And he required everyone in Jerusalem and the people of Benjamin to make a similar pledge. The people of God did so, renewing their covenant with God, the God of their ancestors.

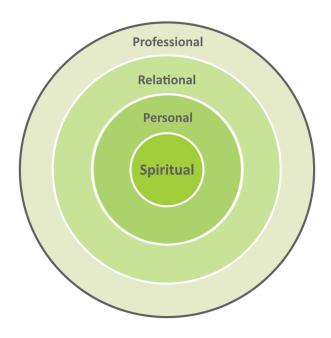
The TRUTH of God's Word is the only thing that will set you FREE.

Jeremiah 10

¹⁰ The Lord is the only <u>TRUE GOD</u>. He is the living God and the everlasting King! ¹⁵ Idols are worthless; they are ridiculous <u>LIES</u>! On the day of reckoning they will all be destroyed. But the God of Israel is no idol! He is the creator of everything that exists, including Israel, his own special possession. The Lord of Heaven's Armies is his name!

Replace the LIE.	With the TRUTH.
Nobody loves me.	I do.
Nobody sees me.	I do.
It's impossible.	All things are possible.
I'm tired.	I will give you rest.
I'm afraid.	I have not given you fear.
I'm alone.	I will never leave you.
I'm weak.	My power works best in weakness.
I'm not smart enough.	I will give you all wisdom.
I can't go on.	My grace is sufficient.
I don't have enough.	I have more than you need.

The 4 Circles of Life.



Mark 12

²⁹ Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' The second is equally important: Love your neighbor <u>as</u> yourself."

4 Truths about the 4 Circles.

- It's all <u>spiritual</u>.
- It's all connected.
- Let God fill you so you can fill others.
- You'll never get your life in <u>order</u> until God is at the <u>center</u>.

Q: What's at the center of your life?

Q: Are you ready to trust God as your King?

Questions.

Q: Where do you struggle the most putting God first?

Q: Which of these truths do you most need to believe?

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Prayer: God, you are my KING and the boss of my everyday life. I'm choosing to put you at the CENTER of everything I do today and for the rest of my days. May you rule supreme in my heart, soul, mind, and strength! Amen.