



When Good Becomes god

Week one - *Idol Factory*

Acts 17:16-31

Bottom line: We all worship something, but is what we worship worthy of it?

1. When Paul arrived in Athens, he was “deeply distressed” (Acts 17:16) and angry to see all the idols in the city. If Paul came to our city today, what modern-day “idols” would he notice?
2. An idol is anything we seek to give us what only God can give. Which of these common idols do you find people are tempted to pursue the most: money, beauty, work, children, or relationships?
3. In this season, which are you most tempted to seek from idols: satisfaction, security, or significance?
4. When Paul was invited to address the people at the Areopagus, he started by singling out one specific altar named “To An Unknown God” (Acts 17:22–23). Why did the Athenians have this altar? Are we tempted to worship idols for the same reason the Athenians built that altar?
5. Read Acts 17:22–29. Paul’s speech compels the Athenians to see God as one worthy of worship. Which characteristic(s) of God stand out to you?
6. What can our group do to help each other acknowledge God above these common idols?