



When Good Becomes god

Week two - “Order of Operations”

Exodus 20:2-17 and Mark 12:28-31

Bottom line: Disordered love leads to disordered desires - and ultimately a disordered life.

1. How have you experienced the importance of doing something in the right order (cooking, construction, etc.)
2. What do you think of the idea of having “disordered love,” and how does that help you understand the heart of idolatry?
3. Do you agree that our lives are shaped by what we love most? If so, how have you seen it play out in your own life?
4. Read Exodus 20:2–5. What difference does it make when we read this less as a list of rules to be obeyed and more as the right ordering of where our love should be placed?
5. Idolatry is what happens when a good thing becomes an ultimate thing: job/success, family/kids, love/relationships/sex, money, etc. In what ways might loving God first reshape how you view those things?
6. Read Mark 12:28–31. Idolatry stands diametrically opposed to both loving God and loving your neighbor. What do you think of that statement? How do you see this evidenced in your own life or in the lives of those around you?