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 - The greatest & most deceptive idol.
 - When do we become self-aware?
 - Why were they unashamed?
 - Focus on the idol of self at the expense of our awareness of God.
 - The more selfish, the more rebellious.

2. A brighter light & better way (vs. 10-17)

- As days get darker, the Light shines brighter!
 - We should be following the followers!
 - Nothing less appetizing than persecution.
 - Willing to suffer for the cause of Christ.
 - We continue to be steadfast.
 - Not waffling on the whims of man.
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 - The Word is useful & profitable.
 - The origin, authority, & divine inspiration.

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