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A STUDY IN EXODUS





IN GOD(S) WE TRUST

EXODUS 32—34

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Exodus 32

Aaron said to them, “Tear off the gold rings which are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.”³ Then all the people tore off the gold rings which were in their ears and brought them to Aaron.

Exodus 32

4 He took this from their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it into a molten calf; and **they said**, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up from the land of Egypt.”

Exodus 32

5 Now when Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made a proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a feast to YHWH.” 6 So the next day they rose early and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink; and rose up to play.



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IDOL:
**ANYTHING I LOVE
AND TRUST MORE
THAN GOD**

Outline

Big Idea: Idols exist when trust doesn't.

1. Our problem (32:1 — 6)
2. Our consequences (32:7 — 10)
3. Our Intercessor (32:11 — 14)
4. Our Remedy (32:19 — 34:35)

Our Problem

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Our Problem: Reflection

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Our Consequence

7 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, “Go down at once, for your people, whom you brought out of Egypt, **have corrupted themselves**. 8 They have made for themselves a molten calf, and have worshipped it and have sacrificed to it and said, ‘**These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up from the land of Egypt!**’”



Our Consequence

The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, **they are an obstinate people.** 10 Now then, leave me alone, that My anger may burn against them and **that I may destroy them**; and I will make of you a great nation.”

Our Intercessor

11 Then Moses entreated the Lord his God, and said, “O LORD, why does Your anger burn against Your people whom You have brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand?”

Our Intercessor

12 Why should the Egyptians speak, saying, 'With evil intent He brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to destroy them from the face of the earth? **Turn from your burning anger and change your mind about doing harm to your people.**

Our Intercessor

14 So the LORD changed His mind about the harm which He said He would do to His people.



Our Remedy: Reflection

If I had _____, I would have peace.

Reveal

“Moses took the calf which they had made and burned it with fire, and ground it to powder, and scattered it over the surface of the water and **made the sons of Israel to drink it.**”

Release

So the sons of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments, from Mount Horeb onward.

Request

Then Moses said, “If your presence does not go up with us, do not lead us up from here.”

“Then Moses said, “**Show me Your glory.**”

Response

Will you allow God to fill the blank

If I had _____, I would have peace.

- Reveal
- Release
- Request



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