

SESSION 6

Fighting Our Sin: Idolatry

TRUTH: *What is God saying?*

Read Exodus 20:1-6

Why do you think God was so concerned with the sin of idolatry that He made it cover the first 2 commandments?

What do you think God meant when He told the Israelites He was a “jealous God”?

EQUIPPING: *How do we live this out?*

In our culture today, idolatry looks very different than in ancient Israel, but people still have a need to worship, and if they aren’t worshipping God they are worshipping something else.

What do you believe the common idols are of the culture around you? Where are the “temples” people go for worship?

What are the consequences of worshipping something besides God?



ACCOUNTABILITY: *How am I personally doing in this area?*

Brian gave several diagnostic questions for determining what our idols may be. Based on these questions, what are the things you are tempted to worship besides God?

- Where do you look for satisfaction?
- What do you think you need to be able to call your life successful and happy?
- What do you get most anxious about losing?
- Where do you most effortlessly put your time, money, and resources?
- When you get angry, does it reveal that there is something you have to have?
- When you are sad or depressed, does it reveal that you have hung your joy on an idol that is letting you down?

Brian said, “the answer to idolatry is repentance and faith.”

What would it look like to repent of your idolatry?

What would it look like to have faith that Jesus is better than your idols?

MISSION: *Going out with the Gospel*

When we worship the same things as the people in the world around us, it is very difficult for them to see that Jesus is worth following in our lives. Is there anywhere in your life where idolatry could be affecting other people’s view of the Jesus you say you worship?

SUPPLICATION: *Praying for what only God can do*

Pray a prayer of repentance and faith, turning away from your idols and reminding your heart that Jesus is better!