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3 QUESTIONS:

1. Why did the people fall into _____?
2. What is an _____?
3. How does the _____ speak to idolatry?

MAIN IDEA: Jesus, the _____ and _____ Moses, intercedes before God on our behalf and offers us the New Covenant.

1. The Great _____

*"And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for _____, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, _____
_____. They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and worshipped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt!'" -Exodus 32:7-8*

2. _____, Idols, Everywhere

*"(An idol) is _____
to you _____, anything that absorbs your heart more than God, anything you seek to give you what only God can give you. A counterfeit god is anything so central and essential to your life that, should you lose it, your life would hardly feel worth living... An idol is whatever you look at and say, in your heart of hearts, 'If I have that, then I'll feel my life has meaning, then I'll know I have value, then I'll feel significant and secure.'" – Tim Keller 'Counterfeit Gods'*



4 Common “Deep” Idols in our Culture:

- _____ – a longing to have everything go according to my plan.
“Life only has meaning/I only have worth if – I am able to get mastery in my life in the area of _____.”
- _____ – a longing for influence or recognition.
“Life only has meaning/I only have worth if – I have power and influence over others.”
- _____ – a longing for pleasure.
“Life only has meaning/I only have worth if – I have this kind of pleasure experience, a particular quality of life.”
- _____ – a longing to be accepted or desired.
“Life only has meaning/I only have worth if – I am loved and respected by _____.”

3. A Better _____

“_____ Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.’” - Exodus 32:13

APPLICATION: What do I do about the idols in my heart and life?

- _____ the Lord to _____ idols in your heart.
- _____ and _____ of your idolatry.
- _____ on the _____ about God to combat the lies of the enemy.

“Four Liberating Truths About God” (Tim Chester)

- God is _____, so we do not have to be in control.
- God is _____, so we do not have to fear others.
- God is _____, so we do not have to look elsewhere.
- God is _____, so we do not have to prove ourselves.

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