

Understanding Modern Day Idolatry Part 3

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Scripture References:

- Acts 17:16
- 1 Corinthians 10:14
- 1 John 5:21, *NLT*
- 1 John 2:15, 16, *MSG*
- Isaiah 14:12-15
- 1 Corinthians 10:24
- 1 Corinthians 13:5
- 1 Peter 5:5-8
- Numbers 21:7-9
- John 3:14, 15
- John 12:30-32
- 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- Proverbs 4:20-22
- Colossians 3:1, 2
- Matthew 6:20, 21, 33
- John 18:36
- Matthew 6:19-21, *NLT*
- Matthew 10:37-39, *NLT*

Summary:

Many things in the world aren't necessarily bad until we idolize them. Most people no longer bow down to carved wooden statues, but are unknowingly worshipping at the altar of the god of self. Idolatry involves a tremendous amount of pride; practicing humility is the only way to subdue it.

Notes:

1. The world encourages the worshipping of ourselves. Wanting our own way is the lust of the flesh; wanting everything for ourselves is the lust of the eyes; and wanting to appear important in others' eyes is the pride of life.
2. Humility is submission to God's Word and being willing to behave the way God tells us to. Humility enables us to avoid the pitfalls of idolatry.
3. Focusing on worldly things brings death; focusing on the things of heaven gives life.
4. We have *all* struggled with idolatry, but believers have been forgiven for their mistakes. If we are going through an issue or struggling with any type of idolatry, God will walk us out of it and show us what we need to do to be everything He wants us to be.
5. We must determine for ourselves whether our priorities are with the world or with God. A life that is pleasing to God is the only thing that matters. If we believe this, all temporary distractions will fade away.

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