

Family Values #2

Last week our focus was on the 1st commandment.

This morning our focus will be on the 2nd commandment. **Exodus 20:4-5**

An idol is anything that takes the place that rightly belongs to God.

Simply put, an idol is anything I value more than I value God.

What does the Lord say about these idols? **Deuteronomy 4:15b-16a (NIV)**

I. IDOLS WILL DISAPPOINT YOU.

Idols always promise more than they can deliver. **Jeremiah 10:14**

Have you ever bought anything that was nothing but a disappointment after you got it?

HELLO!

Idols will always disappoint you. **Habakkuk 2:18**

II. IDOLS WILL DISTRACT YOU.

Whenever you love ANYTHING more than you love God,

that idol will begin to distract you from your relationship with God.

III. IDOLS WILL DESTROY YOU.

Is there anything that's holding you back from being all that God wants you to be?

That is an idol.

We are to worship God and God ALONE.

Worship means I humble myself and surrender myself to Him and Him alone.

The question we must each ask ourselves is this.

Have I allowed anything to take the place that rightly belongs only to God? **1 John 5:21**

IV. THE POSITIVE RESULTS OF WORSHIPING GOD ALONE.

IT PROVIDES DELIGHT.

God promises the fulfillment you have been looking for. **Psalm 37:4; Romans 10:11**

IT PROVIDES DELIVERANCE.

You will experience freedom when you put God in first in your life.

John 8:31-32; John 8:36

IT PROVIDES FREEDOM.

We're set free from our past, in the present, and in the future.

IT PROVIDES GROWTH.

When we put God first in our life-

He enables us to become the person He is calling us to be. **2 Corinthians 3:18**

God will enable us to reach our full potential.