



"Reject the Substitute"  
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*You must not make any idols...Don't worship or serve idols of any kind, because I, the Lord, am your God.*

Exodus 20:4-5 (LB)

## TWO PRINCIPLES:

- Don't idolize anything
- Worship God only

## **I. DON'T IDOLIZE ANYTHING!**

"Idolize" - to \_\_\_\_\_ something more than God.

*For your own good...don't sin by making an idol in any form at all.*

Deuteronomy 4:15-16 (GN)

### **WHY?**

**1. IDOLS WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.**

*"...those who make idols are disillusioned because the gods they made are false and lifeless."*

Jeremiah 10:14 (GN)

**2. IDOLS WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.**

*I want you to remember that before you became followers of the Lord, you were led in all the wrong ways by idols that cannot even talk.*

1 Corinthians 12:2 (CEV)

**3. IDOLS WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.**

*Those who make and trust in idols become like them.*

Psalms 115:8 (GN)

## **II. WORSHIP GOD ONLY**

### **WHY?**

**1. IT WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.**

*Seek your happiness in the Lord and  
He will give you your heart's desire.*

Psalms 37:4 (GN)

2. IT WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.

[Jesus said] "*If you obey my teaching... you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.*"  
John 8:31-32 (GN)

3. IT WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ME.

*As the spirit of the Lord works with us,  
we become more and more like Him.*  
2 Corinthians 3:18b (LB)

Primary source for today's teaching is *Strong Relationships* by Rick Warren

## ANSWER KEY:

"Idolize" - to VALUE something more than God.

### I. DON'T IDOLIZE ANYTHING!

1. IDOLS WILL DISSATISFY ME.
2. IDOLS WILL DIRECT ME.
3. IDOLS WILL DISTORT ME.

### II. WORSHIP GOD ONLY

1. IT WILL FULFILL ME.
2. IT WILL FREE ME.
3. IT WILL FORM ME.