

Sermon Notes



1 Corinthians 10:14-30

Big Idea: Flee Idolatry; Worship Jesus

Prayer:

-God, we submit to how you want to shape us. We give you full permission to challenge us to change according to your plan.

-Father, we have seen how wonderful you are. Help us to see you for all that you are worth.

-Protect us, God. Keep ideas, attitudes, and desires out of our personal lives and this church that would try to draw us away from you.

1 Corinthians 10:14-20

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. 15 I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. 16 The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? 17 Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. 18 Consider the people of Israel:[d] are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? 19 What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? 20 No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons.

Worship = to treat as **ultimate**

Idolatry = It's the very misdirection of our worship.

Idols are what you love, trust, and obey -Tim Keller

What are idols?

- **Comfort/control/security**
- **Politics/power/fear**
- **Status/influence/approval**

1. Flee Idolatry for your sake

1 Corinthians 10: 21-22

21 You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. 22 Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

2. Avoid the Idolatry for someone else's sake

1 Corinthians 10:23-29

23 "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. 24 Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor. 25 Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience. 26 For "the earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." 27 If one of the unbelievers invites you to dinner and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience. 28 But if someone says to you, "This has been offered in sacrifice," then do not eat it, for the sake of the one who informed you, and for the sake of conscience— 29 I do not mean your conscience, but his. For why should my liberty be determined by someone else's conscience?

3. Worship Jesus

1 Corinthians 10:30

30 If I partake with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of that for which I give thanks?

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Study Guide



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1. What stood out to you from the service this weekend?
2. What is an idol or the closest thing to an idol in your life?
3. Why might you want to get rid of idolatry in your life?

Read 1 Corinthians 10: 22.

4. How do you feel about the Lord's jealousy?
5. What is one step you can take this week to get rid of an idol?
6. How can you replace your idols?