

**FIRST & TEN**  
**Week 2 – Don't Make For Yourself Idols...**  
**05/27/18**

**(EXODUS 20:1-6)** – And God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup> “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>3</sup> **“You shall have no other gods before me.**

<sup>4</sup> **“You shall not make for yourself an idol** in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

- \_\_\_\_\_  
Believes the universe is governed by a variety of forces or deities, and therefore the worship of numerous gods. (Each deity holds varied attributes and “realms of blessings” from the others.)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Believes the universe is governed by one all-encompassing God.

**(ACTS 17:16-23)** –<sup>16</sup> While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup> So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day...<sup>21</sup> (All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.) <sup>22</sup> Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup> For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you.

**FOUR DECEPTIONS FROM HAVING IDOLS**

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_  
**An idol is made regarding someone’s view of things** – (view of God and His performance)
  - Read Deuteronomy 4:15-19
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_  
**An idol is a tangible item that represents a distant intangible deity**
  - Read Deuteronomy 19:4-6
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_  
**An Idol = behaviors of worship (often including sacrifice and blood)**

Two Things This Would Have Violated:

  - 1) It would create an impure worship of God the Father
  - 2) It would taint the future sacrifice of Jesus (and his blood)
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_  
**An idol demands for the next generation to embrace that view of God**