Our Search for Something

TRUE OR FALSE

Solid to Stand On.
Part Two: Cultural Idols

Exodus 20:1-6, Colossians 2:8; Acts 13:40-41; Isaiah 31:1-9; Colossians 2:9-15
Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the place of slavery. Do not have other gods besides Me. Do not make an idol for yourself, whether in the shape of anything in the heavens above or on the earth below or in the waters under the earth. You must not bow down to them or worship them;
for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the fathers’ sin, to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing faithful love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commands. - Exodus 20:1-6
Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elemental forces of the world, and not based on Christ.

-Colossians 2:8
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What’s your poison?

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“Idolatry is any unauthorized noun that you look to meet your needs. An idol is anything in the creation that competes with the Creator.”

—Tony Evans
Three Spiritual Truths:

1. An Idol will always break your heart because it can’t stand up under the weight of your hope.

2. When the idol is a person, the relationship will always crumble because they can’t withstand the pressure of your expectation.

3. Idols always turn **VIOLENT**.
The Altar of the Mind

“I grew up in an age of **SCIENCE**.”

“With science, reason & technology, we can cure all of **SOCIETY’S** ills.”

“Religion is a **CRUTCH** & an opiate for the masses.”

The scoffer is unable to **LEARN** because they are **ALREADY** right about **EVERYTHING**.
The Altar of the Party

CORRUPT GOVERNMENT is the problem so FREE MARKET CAPITALISM is the answer

GREEDY BIG BUSINESS GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS is the problem so are the answer

If we could get the right PEOPLE in GOVERNMENT we will have everything we NEED.

“ISRAEL, your POLITICS has become an idol” -God
Return of the King

Idolatry is spiritual **ADULTERY**.

Spiritual adultery deserves **PUNISHMENT**.

Jesus seeks **RECONCILIATION**.

Jesus turns the **VIOLENCE** upon **HIMSELF**.
“Because Jesus Christ, our true bride-groom, came and took the punishment that we spiritual adulteresses deserve, He can be both the Just and the Justifier of those who believe.” – Tim Keller
What About You?

Can your idol save you from your sins?

When your idol fails you, who will comfort your broken heart?

Will you seek the reconciliation that Jesus is offering?