

### **To Us, Idolatry Can Seem Silly**

“Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.”

*-Luke 4:8*

“Like a scarecrow in a melon patch, their idols cannot speak; they must be carried because they cannot walk.”

*-Jeremiah 10:5*

“Shall I bow down to a block of wood?”

*-Isaiah 44:19*

### **We Are More Susceptible Than We Think**

“Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.”

*-Colossians 3:5*

“For rebellion is like the sin of divination, and arrogance like the evil of idolatry.”

*-1 Samuel 15:23*

## **What Is Idolatry?**

**“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. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God.”**

*-Exodus 20:4-5*

**“I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me.”**

*-Isaiah 46:9*

***“I hold a unique and powerful role, and I won’t surrender it or share it.”***

**Idolatry = Putting anyone or anything other than the Lord into the role of God.**

## **Valuing What God Gives**

**More Than God Who Gives It.**

***(object)***

## **Seeking What Only God Can Give**

**From Something That Isn’t God.**

***(source)***

Object:

-Security -Identity -Joy -Purpose

-Direction -Provision -Health

Source:

-Family -Government -Self

-Nature -Experts

**What do You want me to have and how do You want me to get it?**

**This is what I need and here’s how I’m going to get it.**

## **God vs. Idol**

### ***Jeremiah 10:1-16***

God: – no one like Him; great; mighty in power; revere; King of nations; true; living; eternal; angry; wrath; creator; wisdom; understanding; judge; maker

Idol: – worthless; totter; cannot speak; cannot walk; cannot do harm or good; senseless; foolish; cannot create; perish; no knowledge; fraud; no breath; mocked

## **Upcoming Weeks**

- Identifying My Idols
- Replacing My Idols