



Warnings Against Idolatry

(I Corinthians 10)

IDOLATRY

Definition of IDOLATRY

- 1: the worship of a physical object as a god
- 2: immoderate attachment or devotion to something

Definition of IDOLIZE

transitive verb

: to worship as a god; broadly : to love or admire to excess

Idolatry

Idolatry is worshipping the created instead of the creator.

Idolatry is seeking meaning, purpose and life in something other than God.

Idolatry is loving someone or something more than God.

1 Corinthians 10:19-22 (NASB)

19 What do I mean then? That a thing sacrificed to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? 20 No, but I say that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and not to God; and I do not want you to become sharers in demons. **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 Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? We are not stronger than He, are we?**

The Failures of Idolatry

- **It fails to remember our God given blessings.**
 - 1 Corinthians 10:1 – 5
 - Judges 2:7
 - Judges 2:10
 - Judges 2:11 – 12
 - James 1:17 – 18
 - Ephesians 5:20

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- **It fails to acknowledge the dangers of disobedience.**
 - 1 Corinthians 10:6 – 11
 - 1 Corinthians 10:12 – 14
 - Joshua 24:14 – 15
 - Joshua 24:19
 - Joshua 24:23
 - Matthew 6:24

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- It fails to remember our God given blessings.
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- **It fails to honor God.**
 - 1 Corinthians 10:15 – 22
 - Acts 17:24 – 25
 - Acts 17:29 – 31
 - Hebrews 13:15

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- It fails to remember our God given blessings.
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- **It fails to influence my neighbor to follow Jesus Christ.**
 - 1 Corinthians 10:23 – 33
 - Romans 15:1 – 3
 - Galatians 6:2 – 3

Are there idols in your life that
need to be put away?