

Discussion Questions

IDOLATRY CHART

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APPROVAL	LIKABLE, FRIENDLY	LESS INDEPENDENCE	REJECTION	COWARDICE	SMOTHERED	GOD'S LOVE
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POWER	CONFIDENCE	BURDENED, RESPONSIBILITY	HUMILIATION	ANGER	USED, MANIPULATED, HANDLED	RIGHTEOUSNESS

Look at this chart based off Tim Keller's material on Idols. On the left there are 4 Idols – or heart idols as mentioned in the sermon, on the top there are 5 categories on how these Idols manifest itself into visible surface fruit.

Talk through it with the small group and discuss areas where you see the surface sins and help one another to identify the root idols. You might need to add another category of your own idols if that helps. Remember, we can identify our Idols by finding what we love, trust, or fear.

There are many heart idols, but some mentioned in the sermon that aren't on the chart above are reputation, success, security, pleasure, knowledge, recognition, and respect.

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