

October 11
Week 3
Relationship with God: Worship

Text: Romans 1:18-25, Romans 11:36-12:1, 1 Corinthians 10:31

Main Point: We worship with our time, money, thoughts and energy.

This week we are going to spend our time talking about worship and false worship (idols). I want the students to understand that idols are not golden Buddhas that sit on a book shelf but rather anything we put before God. The goal for this week is that in understanding false gospels they will understand worship more clearly and begin to realize that we all worship, every day, all the time.

Questions:

1. Define worship. Who worships? How often do people worship? Why does everyone worship all the time?
2. Define idols – What is an idol? (Have the students read Romans 1:18-25 to help them find the answer. Make sure they understand the distinction between Creator and created.)
3. What are some idols in your life? (Have them list or talk about the good things in their life that could easily become god things = idols if they need help with this one.)
4. What does the word glory mean? Why is it important to worship God?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 10:31 – What does this verse mean? What are the things you do on a daily/regular basis that can be worshipful to God? What are some of the things in your life that you worship other than God? (If students are having trouble with this ask them what they spend their free time doing, what they spend their money on, and what they think about.)

Listed below are some questions that could help students figure out what idols they have in their life:

Where do you run for comfort?

What makes you happiest?

What causes you to be angry with God?

What do you brag about?

What do you want more than anything else?

What do you sacrifice for? (This is your act of worship)

If you could change one thing in your life what would it be?

Who are you trying to please?

When you don't have to think about anything else what do you think about?