

Opening

Share Highs/Lows since the last time you met or How has God surprised you this past week?

What thought/learning has stayed with you from last sermon about the whistle?

Discussion

What are some things people might focus on in life that can become gods (career, pleasure, health, etc.)?

How does considering: what your mind obsesses over, what you spend your money on or what triggers your emotions help identify the idols? What might this tell you about the idols that exist in your life?

Read: Matthew 6:19-24

What does Jesus mean when he talks about the eye being the lamp of the body? How does this relate to what we focus on in our lives?

How can storing up treasures on earth create "gods" in our lives? What are the consequences of having misplaced focus, according to this passage?

Have you seen idolatry left unchecked lead to bound & destructive ways? Consider the examples used in the sermon of 'work' or 'relationship'

Consider the quote: "You have made us for yourself, [Lord], and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you." Augustine. How do we find rest from our idolatry in the work of Jesus Christ?

Does picturing Jesus as an exterminator help us remember who does the work of crushing idolatry? How does it take the pressure off being an 'idolatry hunter' in every aspect of our lives?

Wrap Up

Pray as a group for each other and for your study of God's Word. (If no one feels comfortable, pray the Lord's Prayer together.