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RE- FLECTING GOD

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Revelation 15:1-4

Idolatry is the parody of worship. Parody makes a mockery of reality. Worship is the reality because God sits on the throne of heaven and earth and is worthy of praise. Idolatry is when we put anything other than God on that throne. Not only do we give power to one to whom it is not due, but we mock the Holy One.

Throughout the book of Revelation, the beast attempts to take the place of the One who sits on the throne, trying to construct scenes of worship and reverence, to seal people with a mark, and to lord power over the earth. However, John's vision reveals this is a cheap and passing imitation of the One who is and was and is to come.

The beast's name might be greed, lust, allegiance, honor, pride, vanity. Each of these will only make a mockery of our lives. Their end has been revealed to us; all nations and people will bring glory to the Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come.

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