

Living Idolatry

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Psalm 135:15-21

Idol worship may feel like a foreign concept or a practice lost to time, but it is a practice that is alive and well today.

Our cars, our houses, the tag on our jeans.

Celebrities, politicians, altered images.

Our comfort, our rights, our preferences.

Idolatry is all around us, even if we do not hold a statue in our hand. We must carefully evaluate our lives and rip these idols from our clutches. We must defend the church against idol worship breaching her grounds.

If we claim we cannot worship unless certain music is playing, or the lights are just so, or our favorite preacher is speaking, or a certain viewpoint is presented in the sermon, or we are in a certain seat, or any of the many shallow excuses people give when they explain why they are unhappy on a Sunday morning, we should ask ourselves, whom are we worshiping?

When we bow to the idol of preference in our churches, we will, as the psalmist declares, be just like the idols we've made.

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