No Other gods

Session One: The god of MORE (Materialism)

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***"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."* - Exodus 20:2**

"You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in Heaven above, or that is in the Earth beneath, or that is in the water under the Earth." - Exodus 20:3-4

When it comes to "lesser gods", we don't _____ any and we don't _____ any.

***"You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God…"* - Exodus 20:5**

Bow Down: to serve, to hold in high esteem, to set in front of you as a goal.
Serve: to make sacrifices to or for, to make decisions by, to consider, to pursue, or offer oneself to.

God is Jealous, as in God does not want to _____ you or your affections.

Jealousy: A desire for the entirety of someone

Idolatry is fueled by _____ _____.

What _____ am I currently pursuing?
Follow up - What do I believe will happen if I finally achieved it?

Culture today has defined _____ as _____.

I can never _____ my way into _____.

***"Pay careful attention to your own work, for then you will get the satisfaction of a job well done, and you won't need to compare yourself to anyone else."* - Galatians 6:4**

Issues of _____ are really issues of the _____.
***"No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and be enslaved to money."* - Matthew 6:24**

The problem is not in _____ _____, the problem is when _____ _____ _____.

***"Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. Store your treasures in Heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be."* –**
Matthew 6:19-20

When it comes to "things" I just want a little….bit….._____.

***"Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing….let us be content."* - 1 Timothy 6:6-7**

The Lie: _____ will satisfy all of our deepest _____ and our deepest _____.

***"Good teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?"* - Luke 18:18**

***"You know the commandments, you must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother."* –**
Luke 18:20

***"Sell all your possessions and give your money to the poor…..and you will have treasure in Heaven. Then……come, follow me."* - Luke 18:22**

***"But when the man heard this….he became very sad, for he was very rich."* - Luke 18:23**

Christ is not asking for our _____, He's asking for our _____

God desires to be your source of:

- **_____: Your truest identity, your worth, everything**
- **_____: Your rest and your peace, your fulfillment**
- **_____: Your provision, protection and covering**

Discussion and Reflection:

1. **What "lesser gods" most often call to your heart?**

2. **How does the idea of our God being a "jealous God" sit with you? What are your initial reactions to it? Re-read Exodus 20:5 and consider.**

3. **What "more" are you currently pursuing? What do you believe will happen when you achieve it?**