

# LIVING IN THE LIGHT OF JESUS' RETURN

## *"A Radical Gospel"*

1 Thessalonians 1:6-10

Pastor Byron Hand

This Radical Gospel Produced:

1. A Radical \_\_\_\_\_

6 Ways this Gospel was made visible:

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_

C. \_\_\_\_\_

D. \_\_\_\_\_

E. \_\_\_\_\_

F. \_\_\_\_\_

2. A Radical \_\_\_\_\_

What is an Idol?

3 Questions to Identify Idols:

A. What do I \_\_\_\_\_ about?

B. How do I spend my \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_?

C. What \_\_\_\_\_ me?

3. A Radical \_\_\_\_\_



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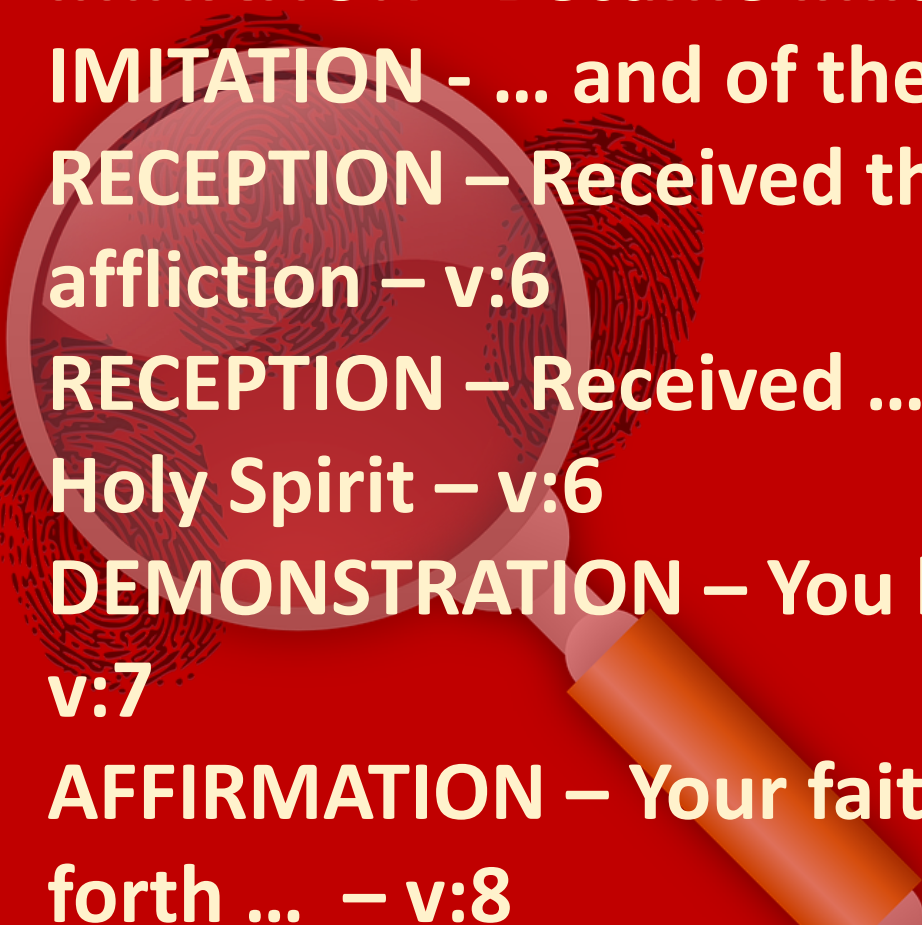
***1. A Radical WITNESS***

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*The Church makes the gospel  
Visible*



# 6 WAYS THIS GOSPEL IS MADE VISIBLE

1. **IMITATION** - Became imitators of us – v:6
  2. **IMITATION** - ... and of the LORD – v:6
  3. **RECEPTION** – Received the Word in much affliction – v:6
  4. **RECEPTION** – Received ... with the Joy of the Holy Spirit – v:6
  5. **DEMONSTRATION** – You became examples – v:7
  6. **AFFIRMATION** – Your faith in God has gone forth ... – v:8
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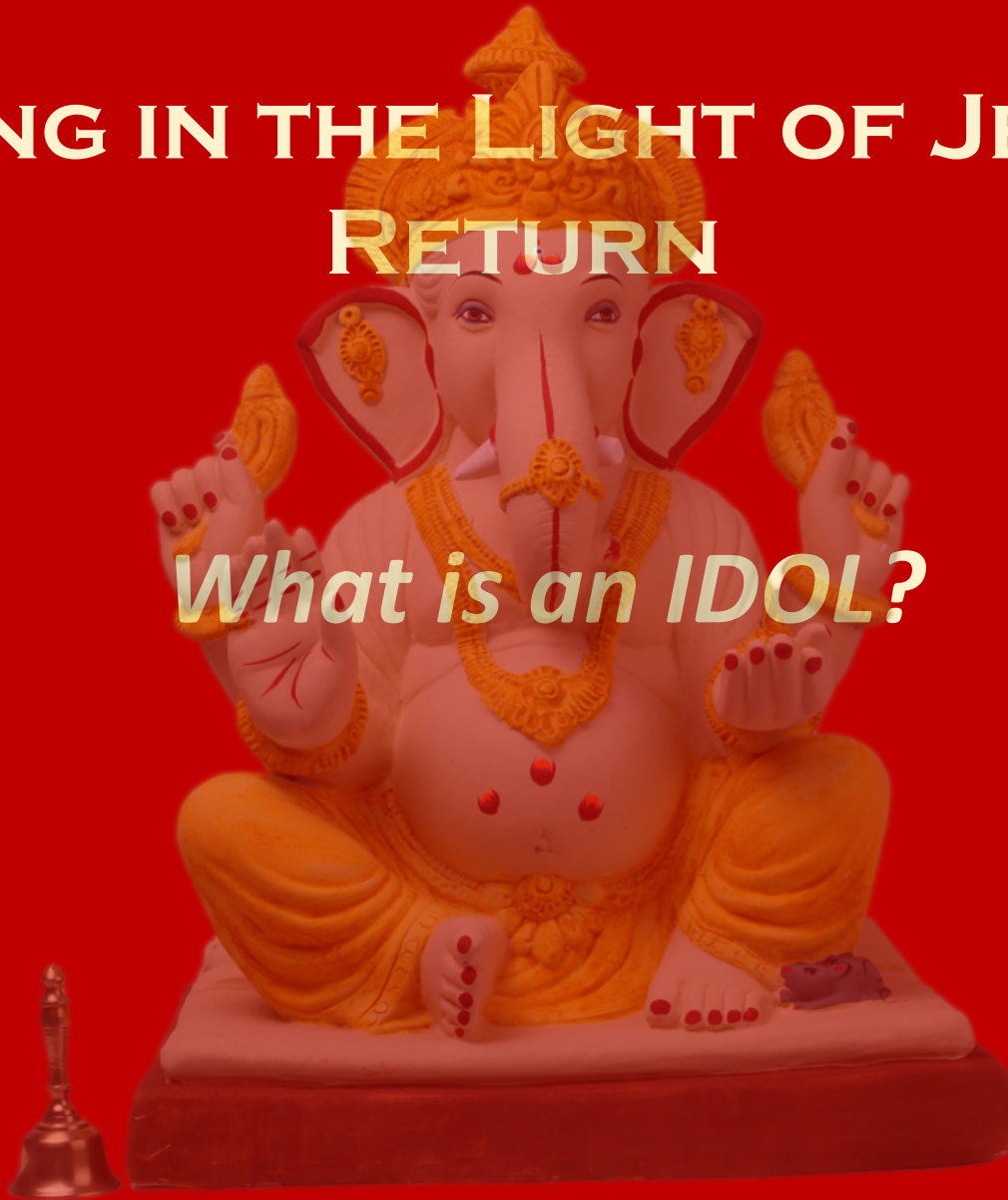
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*This Radical Gospel Produced:*

*2. A Radical CONVERSION*

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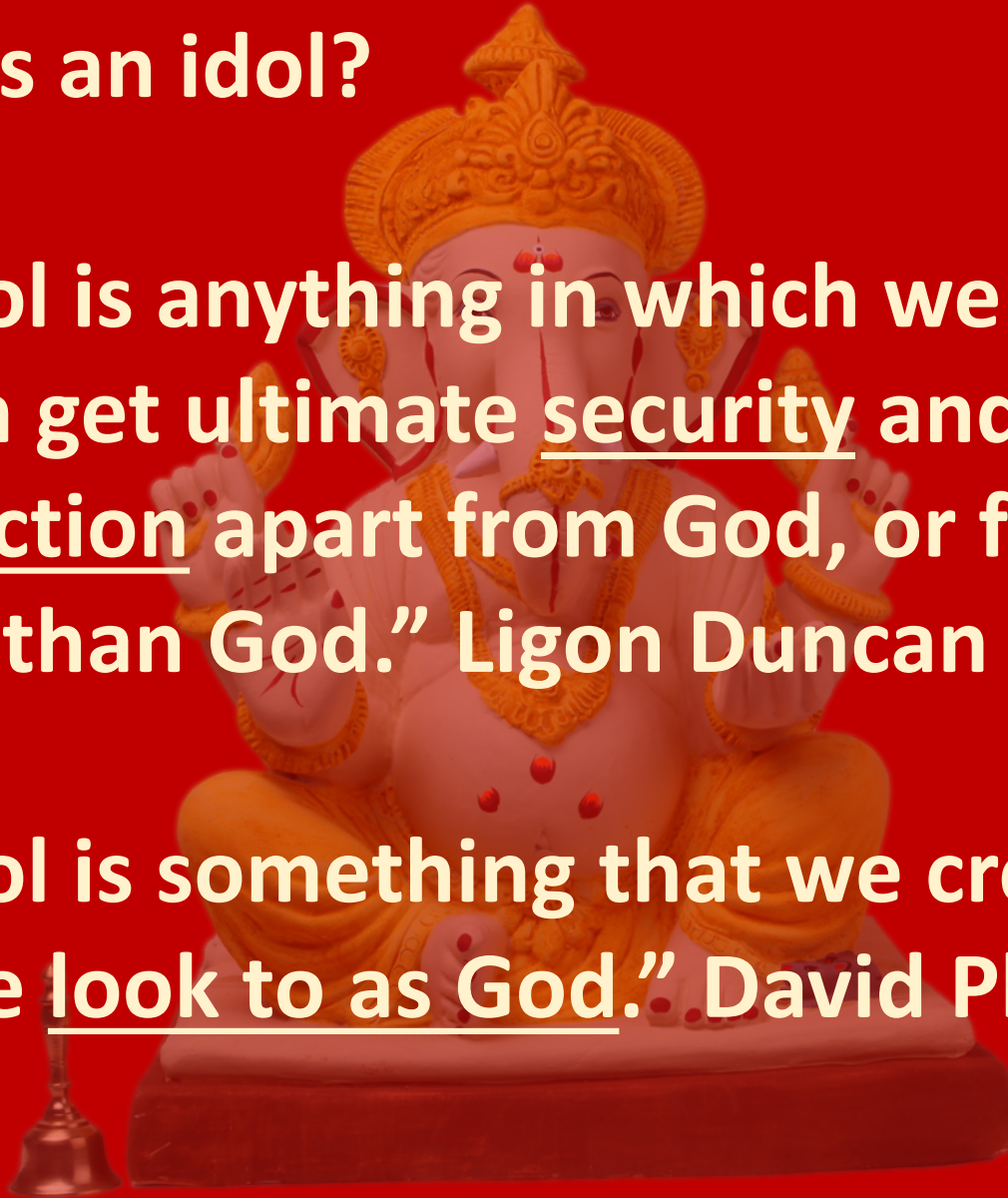
*What is an IDOL?*



**What is an idol?**

**“An idol is anything in which we think we can get ultimate security and satisfaction apart from God, or from better than God.” Ligon Duncan**

**“An idol is something that we create and we look to as God.” David Platt**

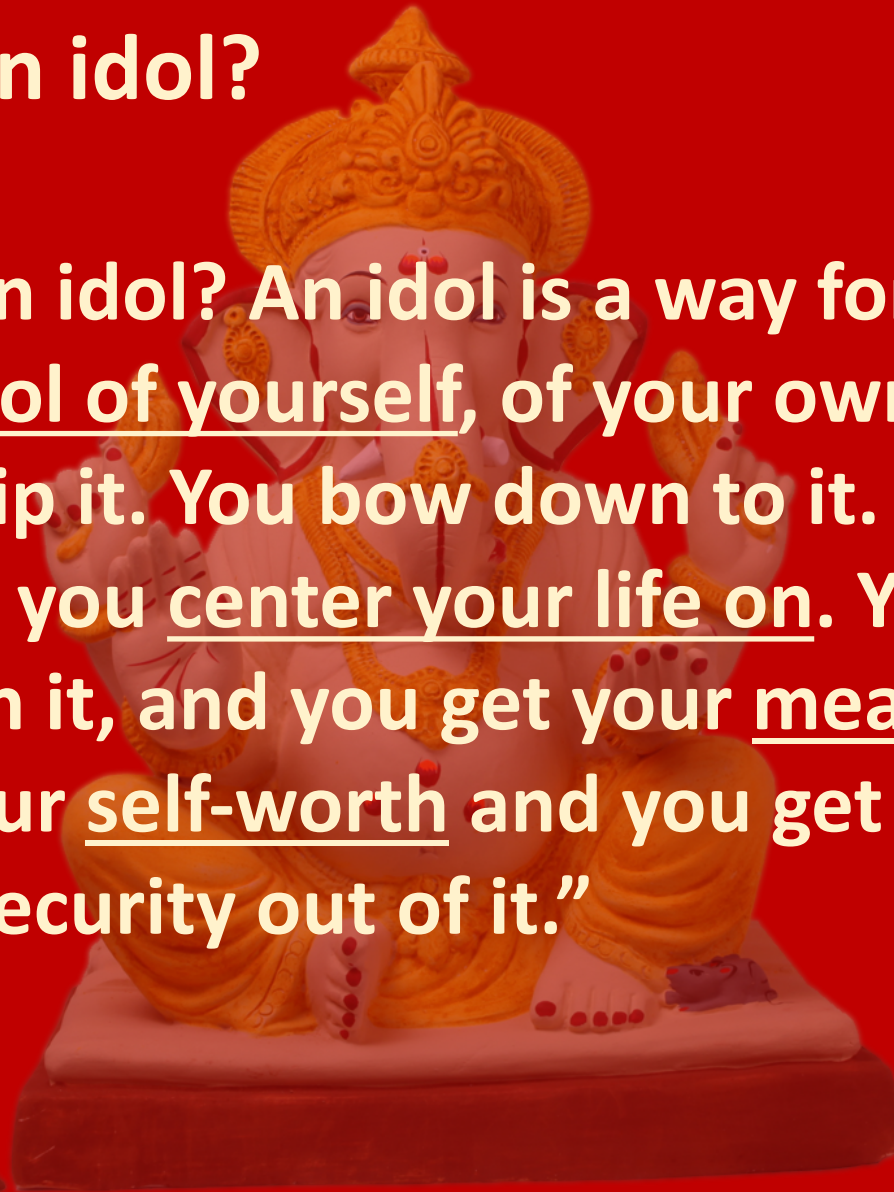




# What is an idol?

“What is an idol? An idol is a way for you to keep control of yourself, of your own life. You worship it. You bow down to it. It’s something you center your life on. You build your life on it, and you get your meaning and you get your self-worth and you get your joy and your security out of it.”

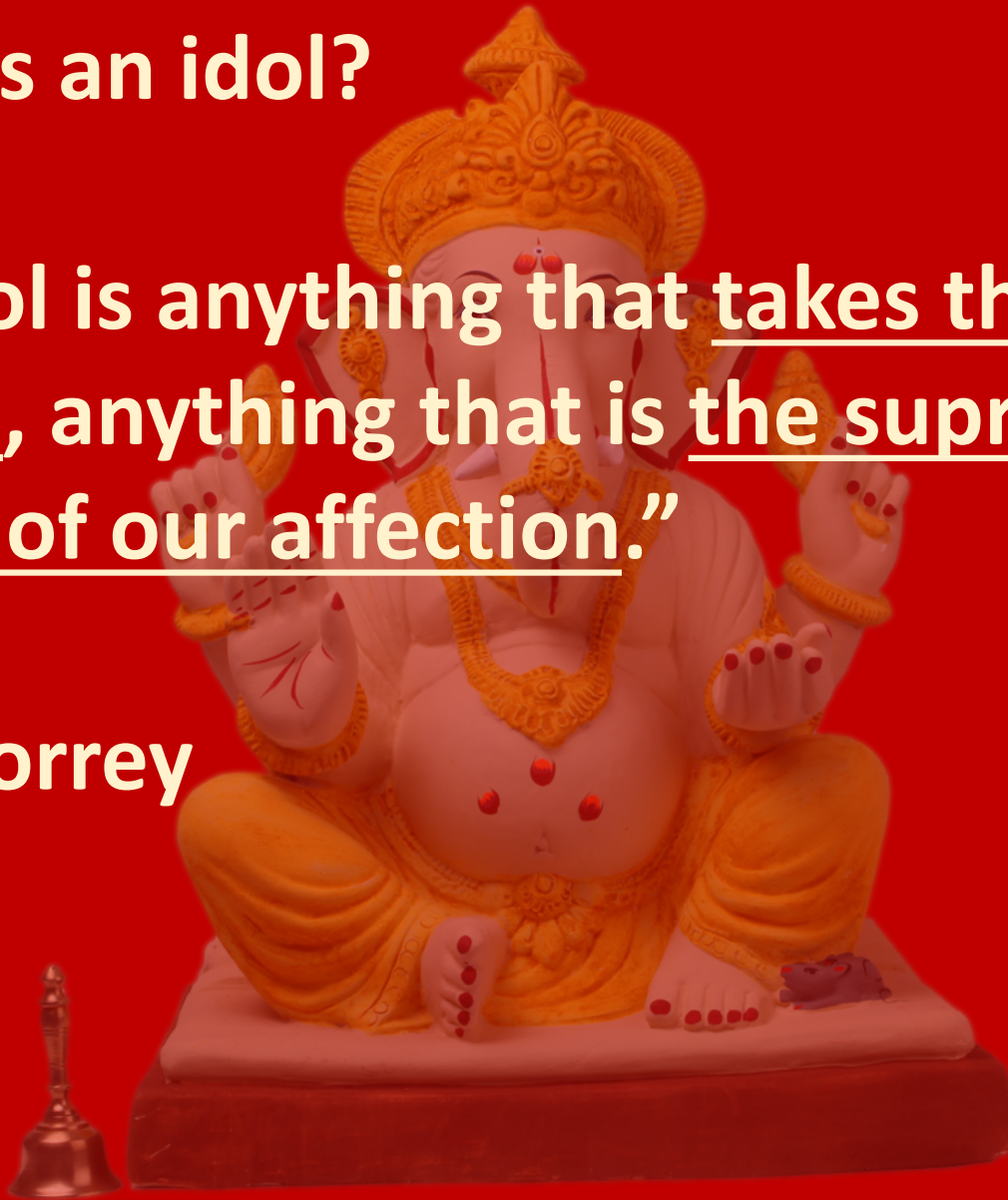
Tim Keller



**What is an idol?**

**“An idol is anything that takes the place of God, anything that is the supreme object of our affection.”**

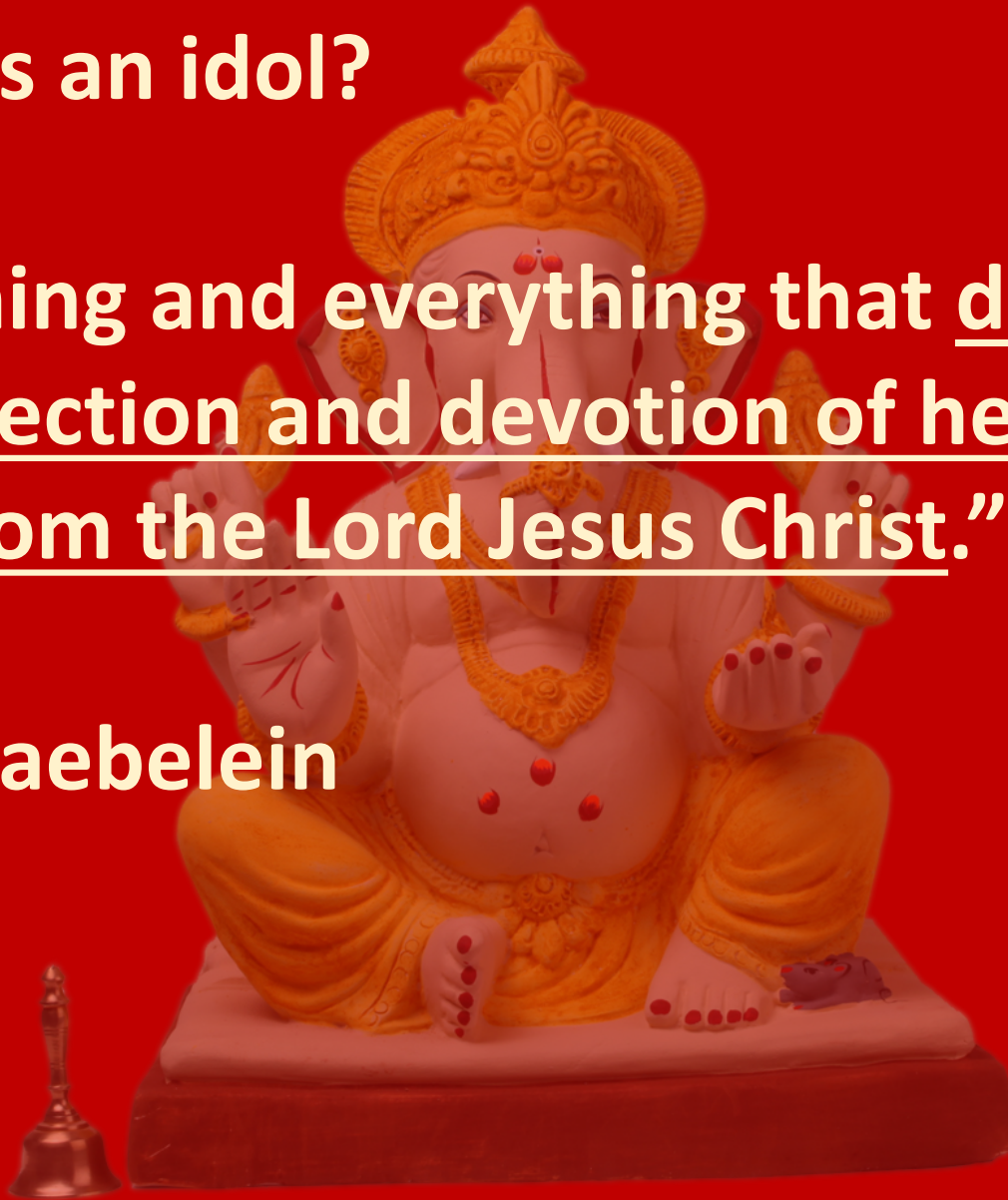
**R.A. Torrey**



**What is an idol?**

**“Anything and everything that draws the affection and devotion of heart and soul from the Lord Jesus Christ.”**

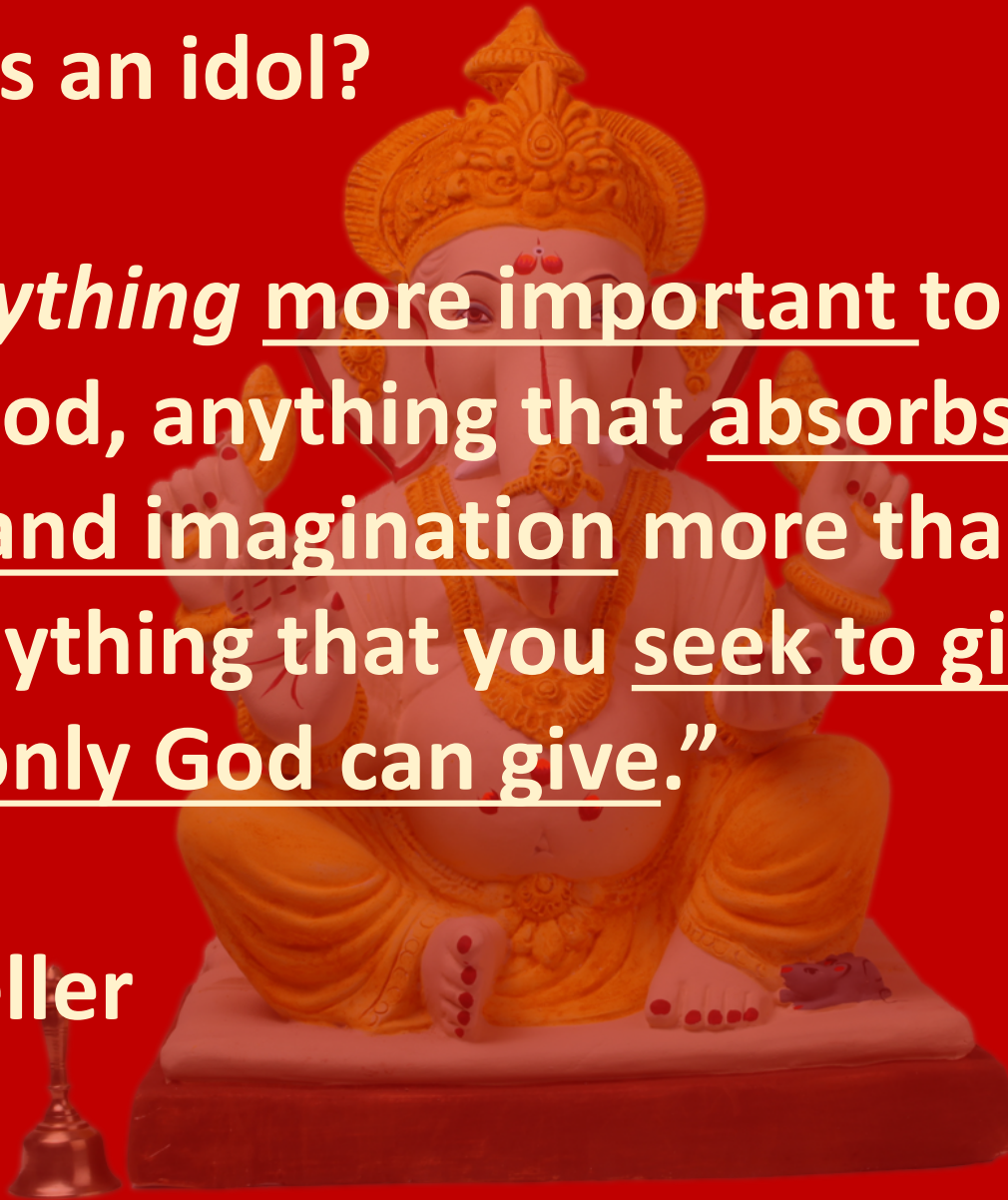
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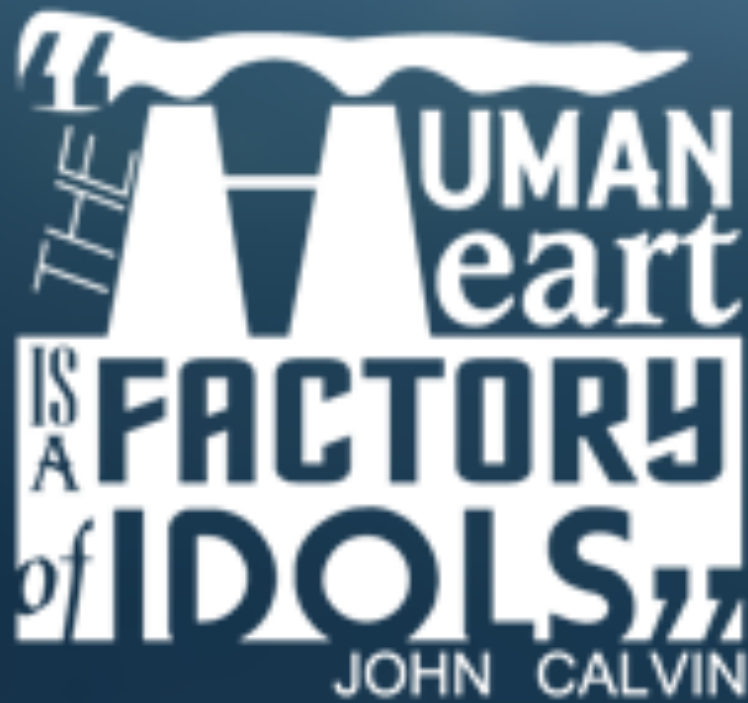


What is an idol?

“ ... *anything* more important to you than God, anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God, and anything that you seek to give you what only God can give.”

Tim Keller





THE HUMAN heart  
IS A FACTORY  
of IDOLS,  
JOHN CALVIN

The Actual Quote: 

Hence we may infer,  
that the human mind  
is, so to speak, a  
perpetual forge of  
idols.

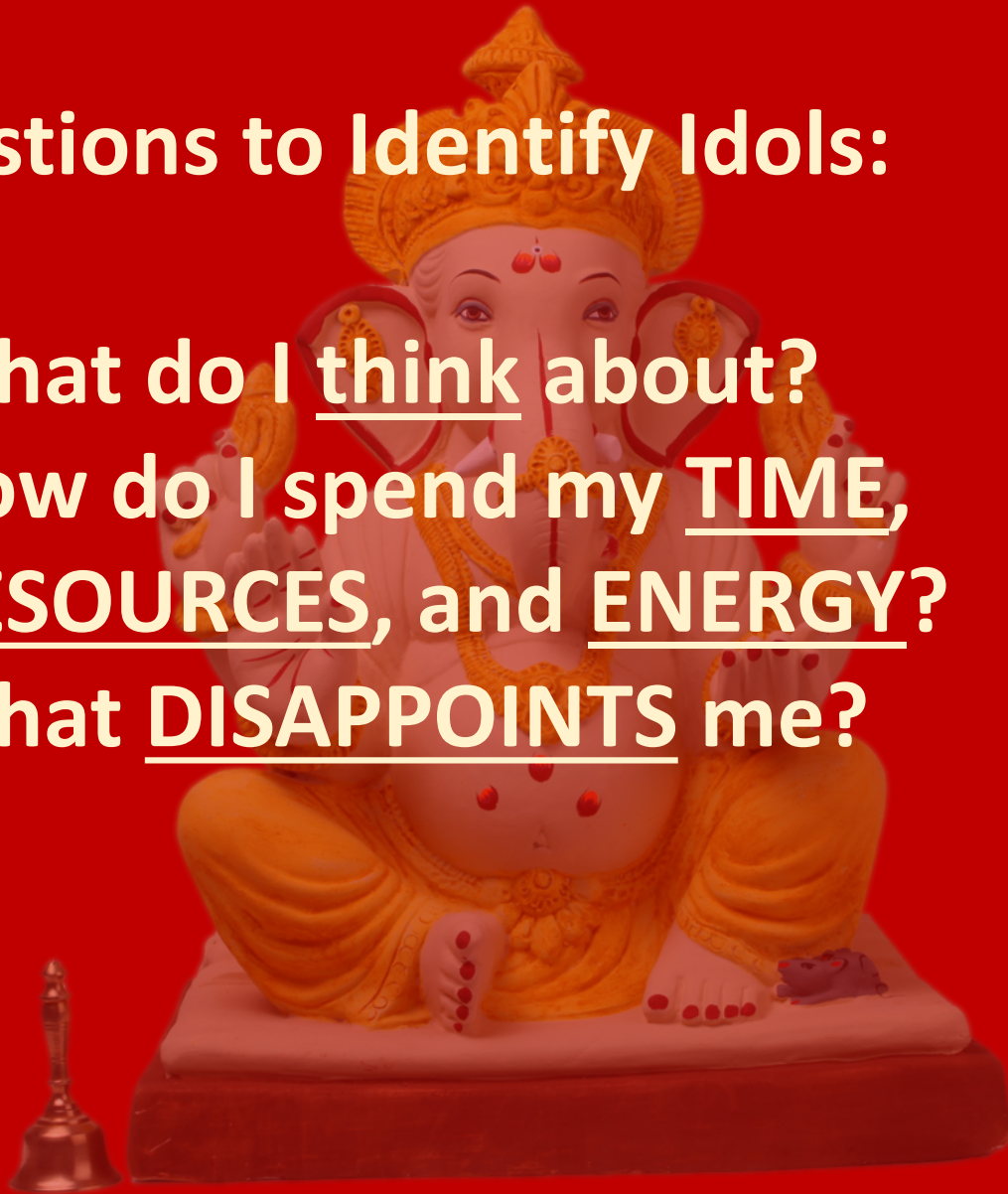
The T-Shirt 

Calvin *Institutes of  
the Christian Religion*



## 3 Questions to Identify Idols:

1. What do I think about?
2. How do I spend my TIME, RESOURCES, and ENERGY?
3. What DISAPPOINTS me?



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*This Radical Gospel Produced:*

*3. A Radical PERSPECTIVE*

