



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM

Sermon: **The Second Commandment, Part 1 (Exodus 20:1-21)**

Date: **May 28, 2023**

Group Discussion Questions

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the teaching and bible passage this week?
2. Why ought we to treat the worship of God with solemnity and reverence? How do we know what the proper worship of God entails?
3. What does the second commandment prohibit? Why are these actions sinful and hateful in God's eyes?
4. What or who in God's creation is meant to bear God's image? How does this impact our understanding of the second commandment?
5. How would the second commandment have been peculiar to the nation of Israel when compared with the religious worship of the pagan nations around them?
6. Read Jeremiah 10:1-5, Isaiah 40:18-19, and Psalm 115:4-8. What do these passages teach us about idol worship? How does the Word of God speak about idols and idolatry?
7. What are some ways in which Christians at times can treat the worship of Christ too casually or flippantly?



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8. Do you believe a depiction of Jesus in art or in film or in a book is a second commandment violation? Explain.
9. How should the second commandment apply to our civil government in the here and now?
10. What would the *positive* version of this commandment be? How do we know this to be true?
11. How might the second commandment apply to the Lord's Supper?
12. What does God want from us when we gather together for worship? How should this question determine how we order and structure our worship services? How should it determine the priority we place on corporate worship in our homes as we order and structure our weeks?