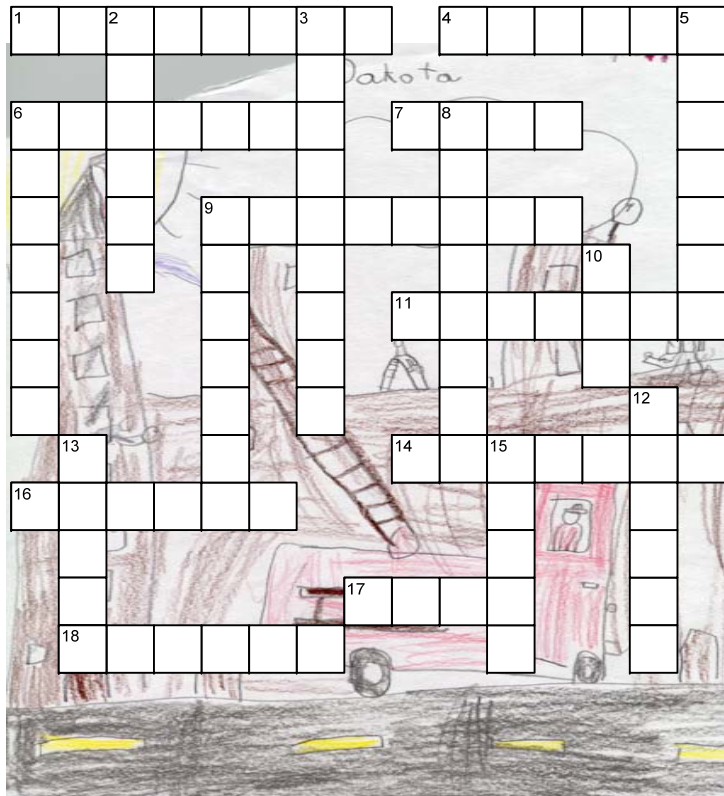


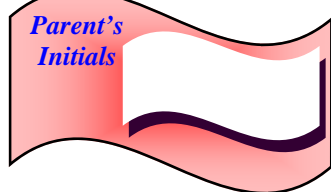
Crossword Puzzle



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| <p>1. Idols are the _____ of the devil.</p> <p>4. God does not want idols to become a snare to His _____.</p> <p>6. God alone is worthy of our _____ and service.</p> <p>7. Some people idols will bring the good _____.</p> <p>9. Idols are a way of the devil's lying and _____ people out of knowing God.</p> <p>11. God is a _____ God.</p> <p>14. God wanted Israel to _____ the idols of the people in the land of Canaan.</p> <p>16. Some people feel safer and more _____ when they have idols.</p> <p>17. Some people _____ these kinds of things _____ and can come to trust in them.</p> <p>18. God alone is our Creator and</p> | <p>2. God's Old Testament people.</p> <p>3. Nothing made by man can _____ God.</p> <p>5. Only the Lord Jesus Christ can _____ God.</p> <p>6. God _____ over us every day and night.</p> <p>8. Our God is the most wonderful one in the _____.</p> <p>9. God alone is our _____ and Savior.</p> <p>10. _____ alone is our Creator and Savior.</p> <p>12. God alone is worthy of our _____ and service.</p> <p>13. God _____ our prayers.</p> |
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The Ten Commandments

- Lesson Five -

The Second Commandment (2)

I. Overview.

The Lord God is both the Creator and the Savior of His people. He alone is worthy of our worship and service. He alone is worthy of our love. Sometimes people have things that they think are related to God, but may actually be idols. They do not know that God cannot be represented by anything in the physical realm. Only the Lord Jesus and the church can represent God. Things that can become idols include just about any kind of thing. Such things as certain pictures,



God is the unique Creator of all things. He is also the Savior of all men. We should give our worship and love only to Him.

statues, charms and certain kinds of jewelry, which people think are related to God, can actually be idols.

Our God is a jealous God. He also doesn't want us to have things that represent Him such as statues or images. This is because it is possible to become more attached to these things than to God Himself.

II. Memory Verse.

“You shall not make for yourself an idol.... for I Jehovah your God, am a jealous God.”

(Exo. 20:4a, 5b)

III. Lesson.

Only God Created Us and Only God Can Save Us

Our God is a real and loving God. However, He is also a jealous God. He is the One who created us. No one else created us. We belong only to our God. Without Him, we would not even exist. Also, He is the only one who is able to save us. Because we are sinful and fallen, we need a Savior, and only God can save us.

Our God is the most wonderful One in the universe. There is no way that God can be represented by something made by human hands. To have something made by man as an item that represents God to us is actually insulting to God. He also knows that man is fallen and that man will eventually care more about that thing than he does about God Himself. This is idolatry.

There is Nothing Real About an Idol

An idol is any kind of image, carving, statue, painting or charm that is supposed to represent God. People sometimes like these kinds of things and can come to trust in them and



feel safer and more secure when they have them. They feel that these objects (which are really idols) make God nearer to them or more real to them. They trust in them for “good luck”.

God is the Creator of every living thing. He is also the Savior of all men. There is nothing made by the hands of man that can represent Him. Only the Lord Jesus Christ can express God.

However, all of these beliefs are not true. They are just superstition, and can even be the trickery of the devil. Using idols can be the devil's way of tricking people; lying

and cheating them out of knowing the real and true God.

God Wants Us to Keep Away from Idols

Although we cannot see our God with our eyes, we believe that He is with us. He hears our prayers and watches over us every day and night. He loves us. He also does not want us to be tricked into having things that replace Him. God demands that all idols be put away from us. They should be destroyed. When God's people were entering into the land of Canaan, He told them to destroy the idols that the people of the land had. In this way the idols would not become a problem to God's people.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. What kind of things can become idols to us?

2. Why does God not want us to have idols?

3. Why do people sometimes want idols?

4. What did God want Israel to do with the idols of the land of Canaan?

5. How are idols used by God's enemy?

