

Flee from Idolatry
1 Corinthians 10:14-22
March 17, 2024

1. The command to flee idolatry (14)

2. Reasons to flee idolatry:

a.) Eating before an idol is similar to eating the Lord's Supper and eating OT sacrifices (15-18)

b.) Eating before an idol is participation with demons (19-20)

c.) Participation with demons is incompatible with participating in the Lord's Supper (21)

d.) Idolatry provokes the Lord to jealousy (22)

Next week: 1 Corinthians 10:23-30

By Steve Sherman, Pastor of Christian Fellowship Church, East Brunswick, NJ.

Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
2. What is the key word in this passage? Where is it used in this passage?
3. What is an idol? What is idolatry? What are some examples of this in the Old Testament?
4. What is the Lord's Supper? Why is it called the Lord's Supper?
5. In the Lord's Supper, what do the bread and the cup represent?
6. According to this passage, what is behind idolatry?
7. Why does idolatry provoke the Lord to jealousy?
8. Is it okay to be a Christian and practice another religion as well? Explain.
9. Should you participate in the Lord's Supper? Explain.

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
2. What does it mean that the cup of blessing is a participation in the blood of Christ? What does it mean that the bread is a participation in the body of Christ? (verse 16)
3. How is idolatry participation with demons?
4. What constitutes eating food offered to idols? What constitutes the kind of idolatry spoken of in this passage? What do these look like in our culture?
5. In light of this passage, what should you be mindful of the next time you participate in the Lord's Supper?
6. What is the primary way your heart should be affected by this sermon this week? What is the primary way your actions should be affected?