

Idols of the Heart

Learning to Long for God Alone

Lesson #3: “Of First Importance”

□ Read Chapter Three and answer the following questions from pages 44-58.

Romans 7:12 Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

1. When does a blessing from God become an idol in our hearts?
2. How do we know that Lot’s wife loved her world?
3. Why is obeying the commandments of God good?
4. What are the two reasons for, “You shall have no other gods before Me?”
5. Why did God want to release Israel from bondage to Egypt?
6. What does God demand in the first commandment?
7. What is the sum of the first commandment?
8. Why does breaking one of God’s commandments make us guilty as lawbreakers?

9. How is the law like a tutor (personal teacher)? Support with Scripture.
10. List four things the Law of God does for us?
11. “Every _____, every _____ in my _____ is _____ in lovelessness and thanklessness.”
12. “Every truly _____ act, including even the inner _____ to be holy, _____ out of the _____ and _____ that He has _____ in my heart.”
13. What is the one infallible sign that we belong to Christ? Support with Scripture.
14. Why is spiritual growth guaranteed to the Christian?
15. What is the cause and origin of our joy in doing the will of God?
16. How can we avoid the errors of legalism and lawlessness?

Quote: “To say that there is one God and no god but God is not simply an article in a creed. It is an overpowering, brain-hammering, heart-stopping truth that is a command to love the only one worthy of our entire and unswerving allegiance.” **Os Guinness**

Quote: “Lot’s wife was an idolater, but her idolatry didn’t begin when she turned around to look at the city she loved. Her idolatry began when she treasured Sodom more than God. Her Idolatry caused her downfall.”