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- Whatever or whoever I believe will meet my needs, wants and desires, this is what or who I worship.
 - I will be successful if _____
 - My life will have worth and value if _____
 - I will be happy if _____
 - I will feel loved if _____
 - I can't live without _____
 - This is not about giving the “right” answer, it is about what really motivates you on a heart level (Mt. 6:21).

I WORSHIP IDOLS?

- If I worship someone or something other than Jesus, it is idolatry (Ex. 20:2-3; Ez. 14:1-3)
- Some of the idols our western culture sets up in our hearts and worships;
 - Money, wealth and materialism;
 - Education and human wisdom;
 - Sexuality and sexual pleasures;
 - The approval and praise of other people;
 - Athletics and sports;
 - Fame and notoriety.
 - The above and more are often the blessings of God (Deut.6:10-13; 8:12-14; 1Cor. 4:7).
 - I can enjoy God's blessings, but it is idolatry to fall into worship.

THE WORTH OF JESUS:

- Knowing Him is infinitely more fulfilling than anything else (Phil. 3:8).
- Jesus is God's answer for mankind's sin problem (Is. 53:4-6; Jn. 1:29).
- He is the visible representation of who God is (Jn. 14:9; Col. 1:15).

- He is the “bread of life” (Jn. 6:35).
- He is the “light of the world” (Jn. 8:12).
- He is the “Good Shepherd” (Jn. 10:11).
- He has been given “all authority in heaven and on earth” (Mt. 28:18).

WHY WORSHIP JESUS?

- Jesus does not “need” my worship. He is complete in Himself.
- Jesus *deserves* my worship!
- I *NEED* to worship Jesus!
 - If I don’t, I will worship other stuff, people or even myself.
 - Anything or anyone else I worship is a worthless idol.
 - It will provide “the fleeting pleasures of sin” (Heb. 11:25).
 - Only Jesus and knowing Him is the fulfillment of my deepest wants, needs and desires.

DISCOVERING JESUS:

- Jesus does not want me to know a lot about Him.
- Jesus wants me to know Him personally more and more.
- Join with me in pursuing to really know Him personally and genuinely worship Him above everything else in this world.
 - Ask God to reignite your desire to know Jesus.