

Daily Devotion For October 15, 2021

“Dear Children, keep yourself from **idols.**” I John 5:21

Yesterday, I made the decision to cancel our Thursday night Bible Study so that I could watch the final game of the National League Division Series between the San Francisco Giants and the Los Angeles Dodgers. A few days ago I wrote in my daily devotion that these two teams have been arch rivals since they were both back in New York.

My struggle with canceling the Bible study was “am I making the Giants an **idol?**” The very first commandment that God gave to Moses and the Israelites was “You shall have no other god’s before me.” Exodus 20:3

What is an **idol**? We may think of **idols** as a man made object that is venerated or worshipped for a deity, person, or spirit.

People make gods or **idols** out of a lot of things. An idol can be anyone or anything that takes the place of the true God in your life. For some, it might be their career. For another it might be their fame. For another, it might be their finances. But they worship at the altar of that god. But 1 John 5:21 tells us, “Dear Children, keep yourselves from **idols.**”

Sometimes the Lord will bring our gods down so that we’ll understand that there is no god but him.

Thought For Today: Can you think of anything or anyone that has become a false god or **idol** to you? What will you do about it?

Today’s Prayer Focus: Praise God that He is the one true God and there is no other like Him. Continue to pray this week’s prayer Fuel. Deo Volente.