Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, July 26, 2020

Scripture: Exodus 20:4-6



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

The second commandment teaches that sin enslaves us, and although idols promise freedom, only God can truly set us free.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)

- What is the purpose of the 10 Commandments? What do they reveal about God and us?
- What is the second commandment (verses 4-6), and what is the context of the command?
- Why is how we worship just as important as who we worship? What are some ways we worship God wrongly? Why?
- Define idolatry. When you experience hardship, to what functional savior(s) do you turn?
- How do idols serve as *mediators*? Explain how Jesus is the superior mediator (1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 7:24-25, 10:19-22)?
- How do we (humans) uniquely reflect God's image?
- How do we turn away from our idols?
- What does it mean that God is "jealous" (verse 5)? How is this connected with his love?
- Explain how Jesus is the only perfect image of God that we should worship (Colossians 1:15; 2:9; Hebrews 1:3; John 14:9)? How has he uniquely fulfilled the second commandment?
- As followers of Jesus Christ, when we fail to obey God's law, what are the grounds of our forgiveness?

