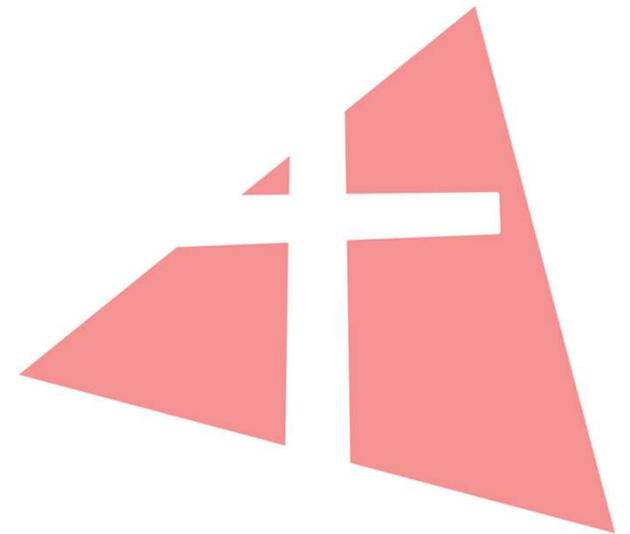


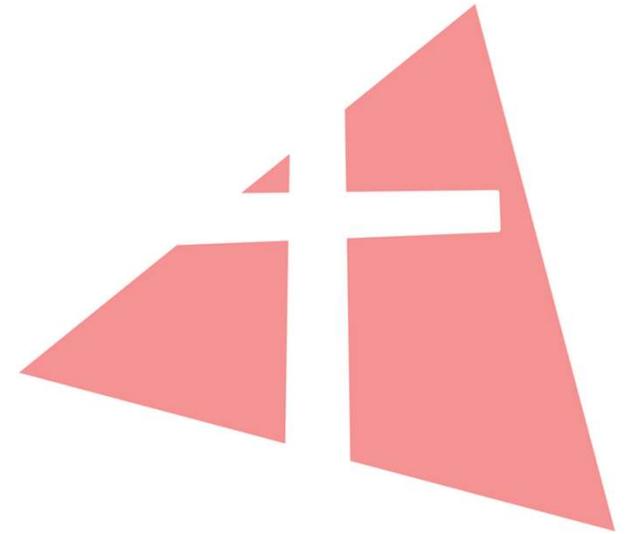
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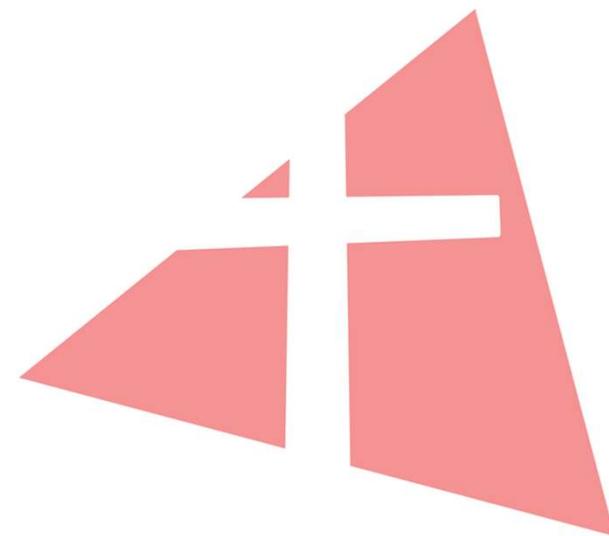
OUR SERIES: INNER HEALING

- We're all sick
- The devil's lies



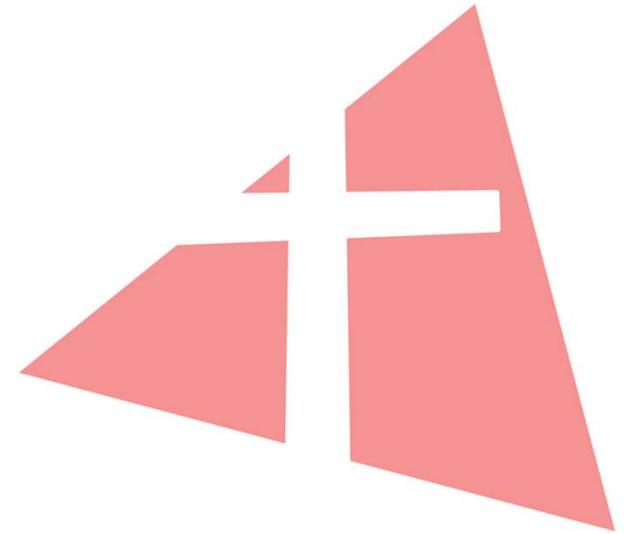
OUR FOCUS TODAY

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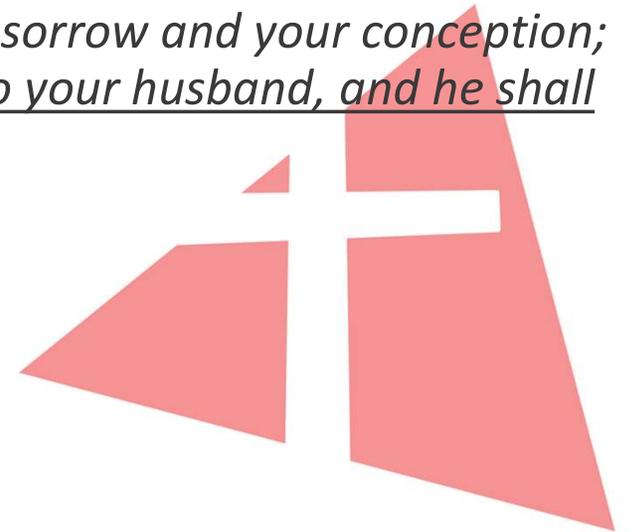
GOD'S PLAN

- God wants to fulfill every single need He put inside of us



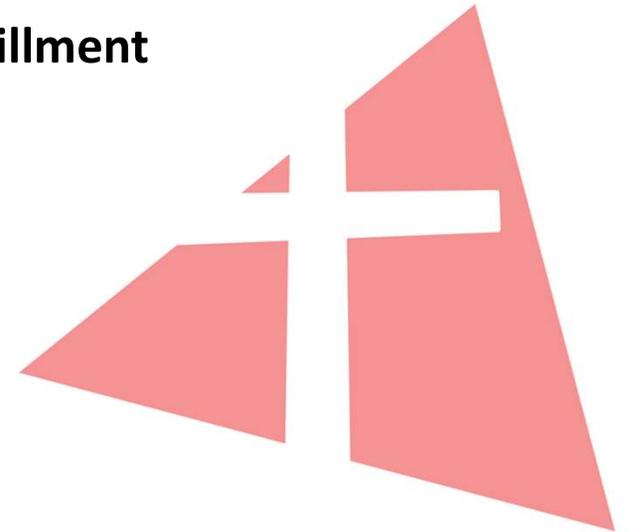
CONSEQUENCES OF THE FALL

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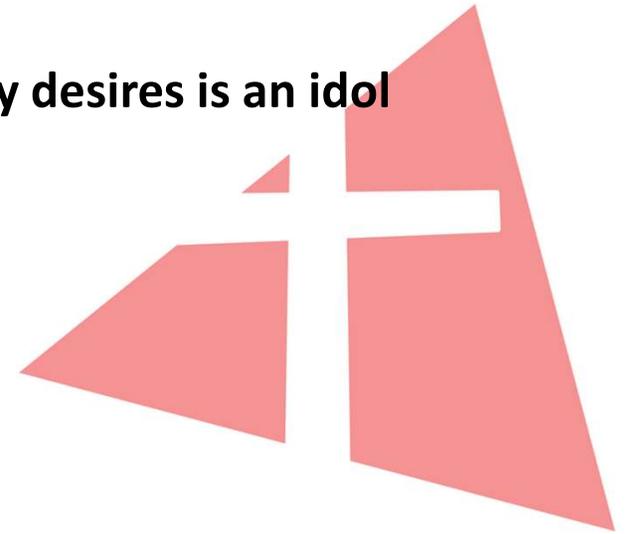
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- One curse of sin is that we look towards earthly things for fulfillment
- However, earthly things can never fulfill us



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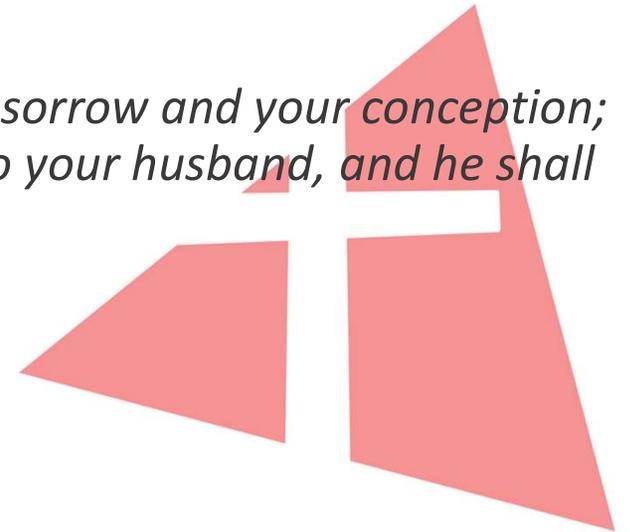
- Anything other than God that I look towards to fulfill my Godly desires is an idol



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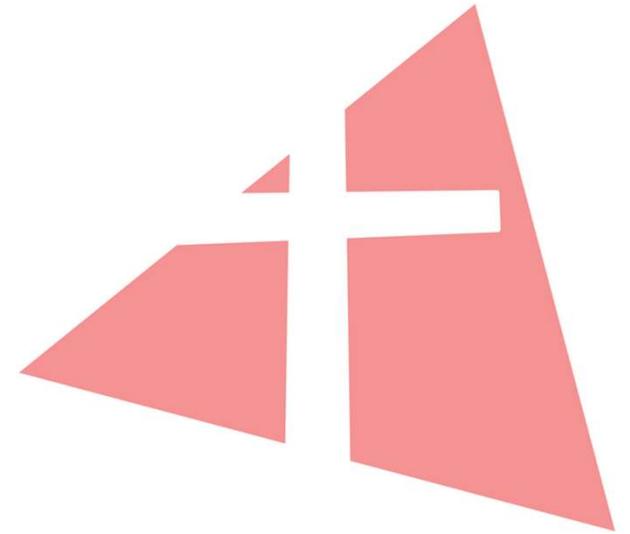
- The result of the fall are idols in our hearts

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WHO OR WHAT IS MY GOD?

- Who or what do I seek to fulfill my desires?



WE SERVE OUR GOD

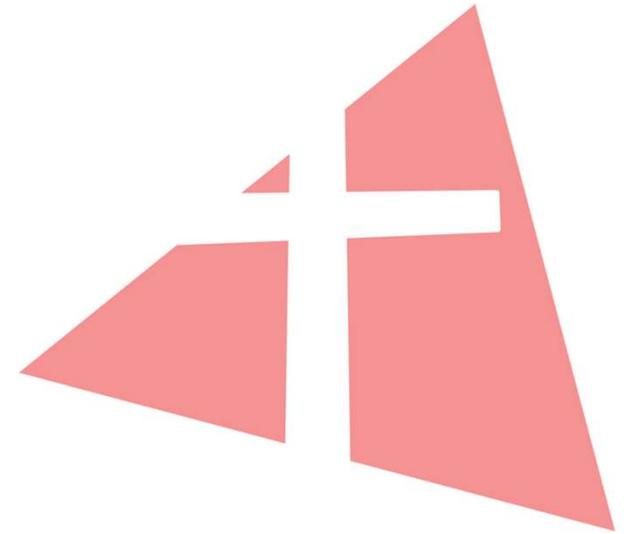
- We serve our gods, whoever they are

***Matthew 6:24** No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.*



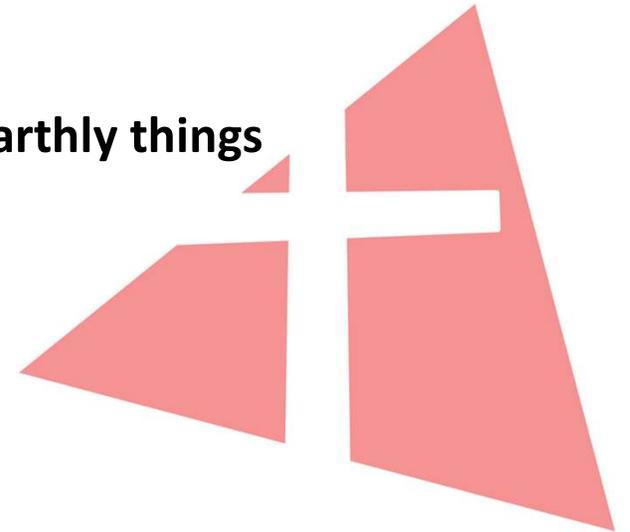
OUR GODS ARE INCOMPATIBLE

- The gods in our hearts compete with each other



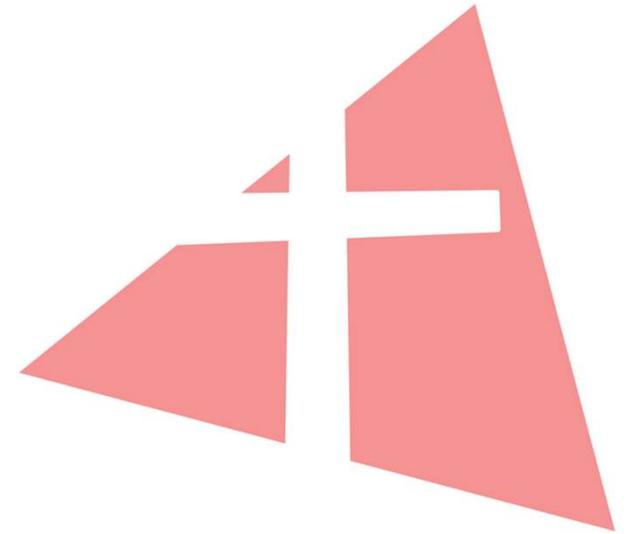
PRACTICALLY

- Jesus doesn't mean we shouldn't be responsible
- Jesus does mean that we should put our trust in Him, not in earthly things



A SERIOUS QUESTION

- Where are other gods in my heart?



MONEY

Matthew 19:16-26 *And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? And he said unto him, Why do you call me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if you will enter into life, keep the commandments. He said unto him, Which? Jesus said, You shall do no murder, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and your mother: and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The young man said unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet? Jesus said unto him, If you will be perfect, go and sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me. But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions. Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved? But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.*

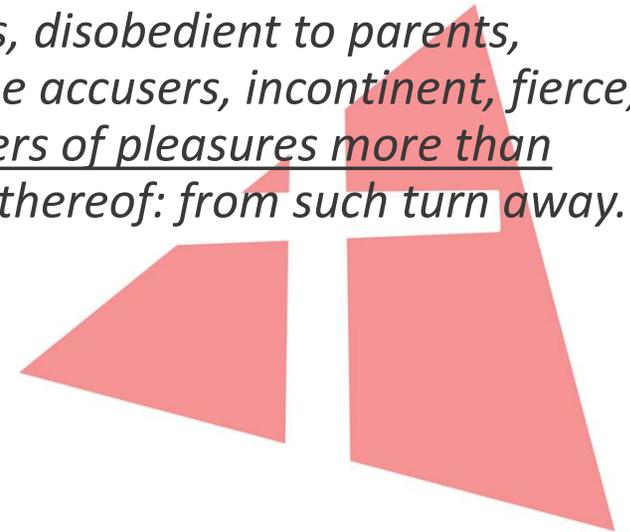
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***1 Timothy 6:10** For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.*



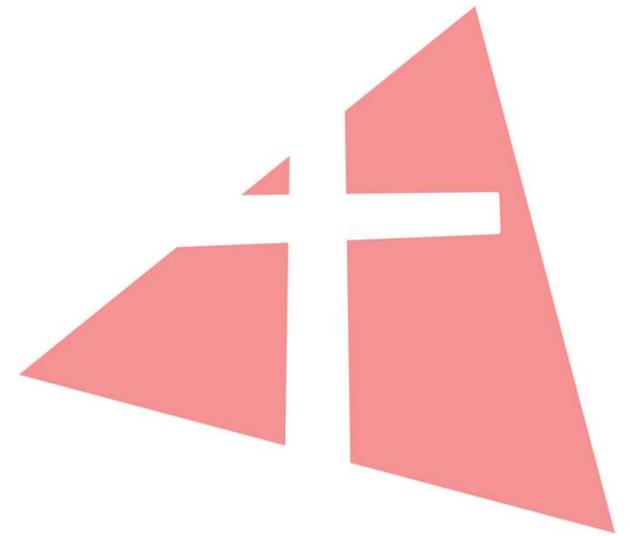
PLEASURE

2 Timothy 3:1-5 *This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, truce breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.*



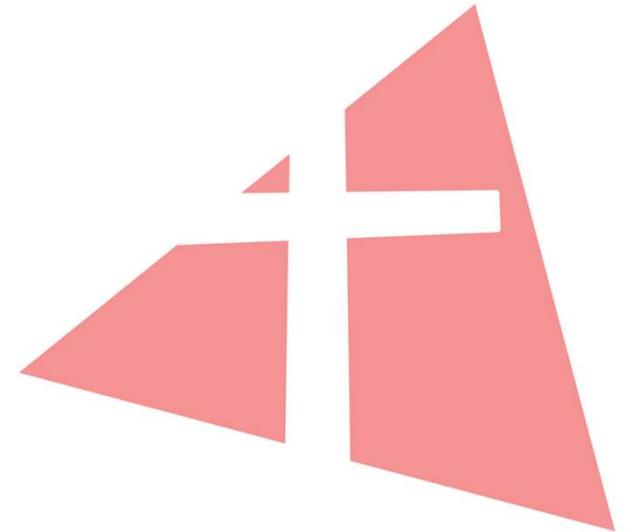
PLEASURE

- **Pleasure can also be an idol within the church**



SUBSTITUTES

- We'll cover more of such "idols in our hearts" next week



WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

- **Recognize the idols in our hearts**
- **Repent**
- **Give them to God**

