

## Habakkuk 2:18-19

*Judgement Woes on the Unrighteous (Part 3): Woe to the Idolater*

### The Folly of Man-made gods (v. 18)

### The Folly of Lifeless gods (v. 19)

## Application of Habakkuk 2:18-19

1. Considering the definition of idolatry as anything you place above God, what are some idols in our society and in the church today (think of both material (e.g. money, people) and immaterial (e.g. job, power) idols)?
2. What might be idols in your life? Ask some revealing questions e.g.
  - a. What/who do you turn to for strength, security, satisfaction etc?
  - b. What/who do you first turn to during challenges?
  - c. What takes up the majority of your thoughts, words, and actions when you have free time (or even when you're supposed to be busy and focused on necessary tasks)?
  - d. What do you want more than God or think you **need** when you sin and why?
  - e. Are you willing to give this up... "Anything you have that you cannot give away, you do not really own; it owns you."?
  - f. What are you willing to protect/preserve even if you have to sin?
  - g. What/who are you scared or anxious to lose?
  - h. What/who gives you purpose and meaning?
3. As you recognize possible idols in your life take the following steps
  - a. Repent of your sin, asking the Lord for His forgiveness
  - b. Consider steps (even **radical** steps) you might need to take to remove the temptation of that idol replacing God again in the future (see 1 Cor 10:14; Col 3:5; 1 John 5:21).
  - c. Memorize Scripture that replaces your idolatrous heart with God's truth.
  - d. Be prayerfully alert to guard yourself from idols (1 John 5:21)
  - e. Focus on God rather than your idol e.g. thank God for His forgiveness, ask Him for His help, study who He is, and set your mind on "things above" (Col 3:1-2).
4. Consider the following passages for more description/condemnation of idols, Is 37:18-19; 40:19-20; 44:9-20; 46:6-7; Ps 115:4-8; Jer 2:26-28; 10:1-10; Hos 13:2; Gal 5:19-21; Col 3:5; Rev 21:8
5. Reflect on and thank God for the glorious truth that God has set us free from idolatry through Christ (see 1 Cor 6:9-11)

Reading this week: Read Hab 2:5-20 as a summary of the judgement woes.

## Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
	J_____ Woes on the U_____	_____
<u>Chapter</u>	(Part __): Woe to the I_____	_____
	The F_____ of Man-made g_____ (v. ____)	_____
<u>Verses</u>		_____
	The F_____ of L_____ gods (v. ____)	_____
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### Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Lord/ Yahweh	False/man-made gods	Folly/ Foolish(ness)	Idol(s)/ Idolatry	Judge(ment)/ Woe	People/Us

What is the message about? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

What/who can you pray for? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture related to the message: