

## RECAP

Reflecting on last week's practice were you able to see God in new ways that you hadn't before?

## IDEA 1

Idolatry is a matter of the heart. Tim Keller defines it as "anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God" But idols can sneak in - they are when a good thing becomes an ultimate thing. Power up - Greed - Everyday things - Anger - Lust (these aren't way out there) Beauty, power, money, and achievement."

**What were some of the idols relevant to Ezekiel's audience? What are some of the idols our western world tends to gravitate towards?**

**Is there anything in Rob's list of "Idols" that you tend to gravitate towards?**

**What rhythms do you practice or would like to practice in order to refrain from "idol worship?"**

## IDEA 2

"God's desire is to recapture our hearts and minds. To be Recaptured we first need to Repent and Turn. The capture is voluntary - and our act of saying "we want in" is repentance. This is the act of full surrender. This is the heart response that opens our ears to His message. And notice it isn't just "repent" - but repent and turn. "

**What tends to distract you from giving God your undivided allegiance?**

**In your own relationship with God, what is one of the primary ways He recaptures your heart and mind?**

**How would you define repentance? And how does this play out in your life?**

## SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

As a group consider breaking into smaller groups of three to practice *confession* among one another. Within your group specifically, keep in mind the things that have fought for your undivided attention.

Let this question guide you: *What is the one thing in my life building the greatest distance from my intimacy with God?* Come together to read this prayer as a group:

*"Father,*

*Give us undivided hearts, that we may rely on your faithfulness. Let us break the pattern of running on the hamster wheel full of anxious thoughts and man-made solutions, and lift our arms, voices, and eyes fully to you in full surrender and praise. You are in control, even when our world is unraveling. Your plans for us are good, and cannot be thwarted.*

*Soothe our wounds, Lord. Save us, Lord Jesus, from ourselves, and our own toxic thought spirals. Develop in us a pattern of turning to you first, every day, so that when our plans are shredded, we default to praise."*

## NEXT STEPS

Consider practicing *the Call of Full Surrender* throughout your week.

**Confess all known sin and receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ**

- What is the one sin that is building the dividing your heart?

**Remove anything in your life that you are in doubt or feel unsure about**

- God what is the thing are you asking me to omit from my life?

**Be ready to obey the Holy Spirit instantly**

- What is the next step I can take to live in the truth revealed?

**Publicly confess the Lord Jesus Christ**

- Prayer of Commitment