
Which scorecard do you use for discipleship?

Discipleship is...
- accumulating _____
- modifying _____

Discipleship is...
- desiring _____
- treasuring above all _____

Exodus 32:1-8, 19-24 (NIV)

When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, “Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don’t know what has happened to him.”

² Aaron answered them, “Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me.” ³ So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.”

⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, “Tomorrow there will be a festival to the LORD.” ⁶ So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.

⁷ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. ⁸ They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’

¹⁹ When Moses approached the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, his anger burned and he threw the tablets out of his hands,

breaking them to pieces at the foot of the mountain. ²⁰ And he took the calf they had made and burned it in the fire; then he ground it to powder, scattered it on the water and made the Israelites drink it.

²¹ He said to Aaron, “What did these people do to you, that you led them into such great sin?”

²² “Do not be angry, my lord,” Aaron answered. “You know how prone these people are to evil. ²³ They said to me, ‘Make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don’t know what has happened to him.’ ²⁴ So I told them, ‘Whoever has any gold jewelry, take it off.’ Then they gave me the gold, and I threw it into the fire, and out came this calf!”

SPOTTING GOLDEN CALVES IN YOUR LIFE...

1. Taking the _____ of the world. (vs. 4b)
2. Sprinkling _____ of devotion to God to hide where the _____ devotion lies. (vvs. 5-6)
3. Defending them with _____. (vvs. 22-24)

IDOL	FEAR OF...
	<i>not having enough</i>
	<i>uncertainty</i>
	<i>rejection</i>
	<i>stress, demands</i>
	<i>insignificance</i>

CLEANING OUT THE GOLDEN CALVES IN YOUR LIFE...

1. Being _____ about the _____ of idols. (vs. 20)

Psalm 115:4-8 (NIV)

- ⁴ But their idols are silver and gold,
made by the hands of men.
- ⁵ They have mouths, but cannot speak,
eyes, but they cannot see;
- ⁶ they have ears, but cannot hear,
noses, but they cannot smell;
- ⁷ they have hands, but cannot feel,
feet, but they cannot walk;
nor can they utter a sound with their throats.
- ⁸ Those who make them will be like them,
and so will all who trust in them.

2. Running from the _____ to idolize.

1 Corinthians 10:13-14 (NLT)

- ¹³ The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure.
- ¹⁴ So, my dear friends, flee from the worship of idols.

3. Finding our ultimate _____ in God.

Psalm 16:4-5, 8 (NLT)

- ⁴ Troubles multiply for those who chase after other gods. I will not take part in their sacrifices of blood or even speak the names of their gods.
- ⁵ LORD, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. You guard all that is mine.
- ⁸ I know the LORD is always with me.
I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me.

BIG IDEA:

Discipleship is about treasuring _____ above everything so we won't waste...

our _____ on _____ pursuits
and
our _____ on _____ worship.