

## FALSE IDOLS IN THE PRESENT DAY

**Exodus 20:1-3** states that God spoke these words, “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me”.

We are all familiar with this statement as it is the first of the ten commandments.

The 16th-century theologian John Calvin wrote “Man’s mind is like a store of idolatry and superstition; so much so that if a man believes his own mind, it is certain that he will forsake God and forge some idol in his own brain.”

We see this in society today. So, what are some of these modern-day idols in society?

**Humanism** – People approaching life with a focus of human rationality, ethics, and justice without reference to true divine scripture. The integration of humanism with religion falsely leads people to believe that the Bible is simply a collection of historical and moral writings rather than the inerrant and infallible Word of God.

**Historicism** – the belief that history has a discernible direction and that events unfold overtime according to specific patterns and logic by man and not from God’s direction. This is seen today in several forms:

- **Marxism** – creating a classless society, where everyone is equal and share everything equally, equal justice, labor rights, and wealth distribution. There is no such thing as private property or ownership, everything is state controlled to achieve equality. This contradicts the Biblical teachings that supports limited government that maintains justice along with legitimate personal property and responsibility of individuals.
- **Gender Activism** – the forcing of recognition and societal acceptance of diverse sexual orientations and gender identities under the misguidance of inclusiveness and human rights, therefore believing to be on the right side of history with all other individuals being considered racists.
- **Environmental Movement** – misleading individuals into believing current and historical events will change the future trajectory of society to a unified world order. We see this today with the climate change activists.

All these forms of historicisms falsely claim untruths and diverts human direction from Biblical teachings. **Isaiah 46:9-10** states “Remember the former things long past, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me, Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, ‘My plan will be established, And I will accomplish all’”.

Finally, we have **Evolutionary Science** – which speaks to the origin of humanity. The belief that there is no creator of the universe or of mankind and that humans evolved

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from animals over time. Evolutionary science is used to override faith and exclude God from the world picture totally making man merely part of a naturalistic worldview.

So, think about all these false idols, as we see them in the news daily. Hold strong to your faith and spiritual beliefs.

In closing, the scripture states in **Romans 1:25** – “For they exchanged the truth of God for falsehood and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.”