

March Development Guide

SUBJECT: ROOTING OUT IDOLATRY



Part 1: Understanding Modern Idolatry

- Idolatry isn't just physical idols—it's anything we rely on more than God (Dr. Dharius Daniels).
- Even good things (career, relationships, money) can become idols when they take God's place.
- Jesus warns in Matthew 6:24—we cannot serve two masters.
- Challenge: Reflect on what competes for God's place in your life:
 - Food, career, politics, security, alcohol, sex, friendships, money, kids' sports.

Part 2: Recognizing Emotional Idolatry

- Emotions are important but shouldn't control us.
- "My feelings are not God. God is God."
- Scripture warns us:
 - Jeremiah 17:9 - The heart is deceitful.
 - Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord, not your understanding.
- Practical Steps: When emotions overwhelm you, ask:
 - Does this align with God's truth?
 - Am I making decisions based on feelings or faith?
- Illustration: Don't let emotions drive your decisions—choose Jesus over temporary feelings.

Part 3: Embracing a Life That "Makes It Count"

- Every moment matters—treat every interaction as a divine opportunity (Victory Family Church).
- Pastor John Nuzzo: Live a surrendered life to God's will.
- Colossians 3:23-24: Work for the Lord, not just for people.
- Perspective shift:
 - Work = Represent Christ.
 - Church = Welcome others.
 - Life = Impact eternity with every choice.



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VIDEOS:

- Evicting Idols - A Coming Move of the Holy Spirit | Pastor John Nuzzo | Victory Family Church
<https://youtu.be/oRGeTfJpqKY?si=qdwUtewS23kiUAA9>
- Breaking Free from Strongholds | Dr. Eric Mason | Social Dallas
<https://youtu.be/yVYEFBXhErA?si=v1xcKBBVZZIeX5e4>
- A Faith That Puts God Second | Craig Groeschel | Life.Church
<https://youtu.be/5oEq8gLOHes?si=D0bwtxJ3PRBGTZMQ>

