

SUNDAY MORNING (June 24th) • Counterfeit Gods

The Key to Keeping Ourselves From Idols

At the conclusion of his letter (1 John 5:18-21), John writes:

We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

What's the key to keeping ourselves from idols?

- Harmonizing our lives with God-revealed reality.
- Viewing everything in relation to God and his will.
- Consistently reminding ourselves that this world and the things that fill it are temporary. God and our souls are not.
- Putting into practice what we know as children of God.

In 1 John 5:18-21, what does John mean when he writes...

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- “The whole world lies in the power of the evil one”?
- “The Son of God has come and has given us understanding”?