**The Folly of Idolatry**

*Acts 17:22-31*

1. Idols in the OT.
2. The Gold Calf
* Exodus 32:1-6
1. Baal
* 1 Kings 18:21, 25-29
1. Potential Idols for us.
2. Self (2 Timothy 3:1-2a)
* Romans 2:6-9; Philippians 2:3-4
* Worried more about what you think of yourself than what God thinks of you – 2 Cor. 13:5
1. Money (2 Timothy 3:2b)
* Colossians 3:5; 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19
* Matthew 6:19-24 (mammon = riches)
1. Pleasure (2 Timothy 3:4)
* Ecclesiastes 2:1-11; Luke 12:13-21 (worked so he could take pleasure – turned into his idol)
1. Public Acceptance (Matthew 6:1)
* Matthew 23:1-12; Galatians 1:6-10
* 2 Timothy 4:1-5 (Those whose idol is public acceptance will be the teachers that are preaching fables.)

**Conclusion**

* Idolatry is folly.
* We must be careful that we are not participating in idolatry.
* Our devotion should be to the Lord.