

## IDOLATRY

*“Eidolatreia – εἰδωλατρεία”* [Gal. 5:20](#)

*“Eidolothuta – εἰδωλόθυτα”* [Rev. 2:20](#)

1. Idolatry is the worship of images and things before God.
2. Paul deliberately placed idolatry immediately after sexual perversion, because it was the desire for immoral living that produced idolatry, people wanted gods that condoned immorality.
3. Israel made a golden calf so that they could run riot in the sins of the flesh.
4. Paul tells us that sexual powers wrongly used end up in idolatry, making idolatry of sex, and the worship of the creature instead of the Creator (Rom. 1:16-22).  
(Read [Romans 1:14-32](#))
5. Paul states that demons are behind idolatry ([I Cor. 10:20](#)).
6. Heathen idols were often horrendously ugly; Diana (Artemis) of the Ephesians was a really ugly black, squat idol, covered with many breasts.
7. False religion, in the form of idolatry and occultism, were among the major opponents of the early Church.
8. Many Christians were executed by the Roman state because they would not worship the Emperor as God.
9. The world today has many idols.
10. The evils of idolatry, witchcraft, and sorcery have always been the enemies of marriage; they always destroy marital happiness. Covetousness is actually idolatry of worldly things, having the identical result ([Col. 3:5](#)).