## Leaving Our Idols and Bowing in Contrition Isaiah 57

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Sermon Sketch: This chapter highlights the foolishness of idolatry and calls our hearts to a place of true contrition and repentance to enjoy the blessings of connection with Christ...

- 1) How did the assurance that you are a part of God's forever family bless your past week? (Isaiah 56 No Outsiders June 4, 2023)
- 2) Pastor Jon has now shared the principle from Psalm 115:8 many times: that principle being that you will become like the object that you worship. If you worship the living God your will become alive and if you worship a dead idol you will die. Do you accept the truth of this principle?
- 3) The fact that idols can be something other than a statue or figurine (Philippians 3:9) means that we must closely examine (2 Corinthians 13:5) all of our heart's affections. How will you seek to dig into your heart in the week ahead to do a thorough examination?
- 4) What does turning passionately (Isaiah 22:12) from your sin in contrite repentance look like for you?
- 5) How will you tear down (Exodus 34:13, Deuteronomy 12:3) the idols that you identify in your life?
- 6) How will you replace (Colossians 3:9-10) the idol worship in your life with positive spiritual

- disciplines? What spiritual disciplines come easy to you? What disciplines do you need to grow in?
- 7) How does worship/reverencing (Psalm 115:8) the Living God make you come alive?
- 8) How might we personally (Genesis 35:2) and corporately (23:14) purify our hearts and pursue God in a greater way in the week ahead?

