

counterfeit gods

Order of Service | July 17, 2022

Worship Team..... Graves Into Gardens

Welcome

Worship Team..... Way Maker
We Praise You

Message..... Senior Pastor Jay Bruner
Counterfeit gods - Week 1

Offering/Dismissal

ALL YOU EVER WANTED

“...these men have set up idols in their hearts...” **Ezekiel 14:3 (NIV)**

The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? **Jeremiah 17:9 (NIV)**

For although they knew God, they neither glorified Him as God nor gave thanks to Him... They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator...

Romans 1:21 & 25 (NIV)

“I am the LORD your God... have no other gods before Me.”

Exodus 20:2-3 (NIV)

An idol is anything more important to us than God, anything that absorbs our heart and imagination more than God, anything we seek to give us what only God can give.

An idol is whatever we look at and say, in our heart of hearts, “If I have that, then I’ll feel my life has meaning, then I’ll know I have value, then I’ll feel significant and secure.” There are many ways to describe that kind of relationship to something, but perhaps the best one is worship.

HOW TO KEEP GOD IN HIS RIGHTFUL PLACE

(Lessons from Abraham & Genesis 22)

...God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. Then God said, “Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you.” **Genesis 22:1-2 (NIV)**

He said to his servants, “Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then **we will** come back to you.” **Genesis 22:5 (NIV)**

When they arrived at the place where God had told him to go, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood on it. Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. **Genesis 22:9 (NLT)**

...“Abraham! Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. “Do not lay a hand on the boy,” He said. “Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son.” **Genesis 22:11-12 (NIV)**

So Abraham called that place The Lord Will Provide. And to this day it is said, “On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided.” **Gen. 22:14 (NIV)**

1. Tell Him of His rightful place.

He (God) said to him, “Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied.

For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.

Romans 10:10 (NLT)

2. Tell others of His rightful place.

He said to his servants, “...We will worship and then **we will** come back to you.” **Genesis 22:5 (NIV)**

3. Practice giving Him back what He has given to me.

Then he tied his son, Isaac, and laid him on the altar... **Gen. 22:9 (NIV)**

Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering.

Romans 12:1 (MSG)

Going deeper on your own: It’s hard to believe that we may struggle with idolatry. With this in mind, consider the following; If we say we love God above all else, then why do we get angry at and even blame God when a career fails, a child rebels, or a relationship ends? Could it be that our love and devotion to God is not about our relationship with Him but rather an effort to get Him to assist, protect, prop up, and bless the true idols of our hearts? Pastor Jay said, “Often the most painful times in our lives are times in which our idols, our Isaacs, are being threatened or removed.” Would you agree or disagree? Pastor Jay also pointed out two ways we can respond: opt for bitterness, blame, and despondency, or walk up the mountain to God and tell Him, “I trust You are helping me remove the barriers to the fullness of Your love and life for me.” Today pray and ask Him to help reveal anything that has subtly taken His place. Confess it to Him and trust it in His hands.

Discover CPC



Are you ready to learn more about CPC? In our Discover CPC class we will discuss what we believe, who we are, why we do what we do, and more! Discover CPC is a requirement for CPC Membership. Snacks and childcare are provided with RSVP.

Discover CPC
August 28 | 10:31am
Conference Room

To learn more or register:
CenterPointChurch.com/nextsteps/



Refresh BISD

Refresh BISD will be on August 6 from 9am–2pm and volunteer registration is now open. You can also support this event through sponsorships. Each \$35 sponsorship will provide a student with a backpack, supplies, and resources at Refresh. To sponsor a student or sign up to volunteer, visit our table in the lobby or refreshbisd.com.



Student Life 7up Night

Promotion Sunday is almost here, and Pastor Jeff and his team are excited to welcome incoming 7th graders! Parents and incoming 7th graders are invited to join us in the Warehouse on August 6 at 7pm for dinner and discussion to learn about what to expect in Student Life Ministry. There is no cost, but we ask that you sign up by August 3.



Baptism Bash and Back to School Splash

Join us at The Keller Pointe on Sunday, August 21, from 6:00-8:00pm as we celebrate baptisms and the start of a new school year. This is a free event, and all CPC families and friends are welcome. You can sign up for baptism on the church website, CPC app, or visit the welcome desk in the lobby.

Get details on these events and more at centerpointchurch.com/events.

Who We Are

Center Point Church exists to *help people discover and live a God-centered life.*

We are a real church full of real people with real problems searching for real answers. We strive to provide a safe atmosphere for anyone--whether you are church-ed, unchurched, or over-churched. We purposefully avoid religion so we can focus on our relationship with Christ.

Stewardship News July 17, 2022

Tithes & Offerings

Given July 4 - July 10, 2022	\$32,242
Given YTD	\$838,391
Kidz City & Misc. Income	\$52,500
TOTAL GIVEN YTD	\$890,891
Expenses YTD	\$770,405

Daring New Day Building

DND Commitments	\$1,994,795
DND Given to Date	\$1,518,666

Attendance

On Campus	542
Online	91

Visit our website to learn more about these CPC ministries:

- Preschool (birth-K)
- Elementary (grades 1-3)
- Preteens (grades 4-6)
- Student Life (grades 7-12)
- Celebrate Recovery
- Home Teams
- Prime Time (adults 65+)
- CPC Men
- CPC Women
- Veterans Fellowship
- W.O.W. - Women of Worship (ladies 50+)

Contact Information:

Service Times:

Sun. 9:01am, 10:31am, & 12:01pm

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