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Greeting

Welcome

Worship Team..... Great Things
You Deserve It All
The Lion And The Lamb

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Offering/Announcements/Dismissal

Breaking FREE From The Things That Are Breaking Me

*For he has rescued us from the **kingdom of darkness** and transferred us into the **Kingdom** of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins. **Colossians 1:13-14 (NLT)***

*Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace. For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future.
Ephesians 4:3-4 (NLT)*

*The thief (Satan) comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they (anyone who would put their faith in Him) may have life, and have it to the full. **John 10:10 (NIV)***

The root cause of what is breaking us is **Idolatry**.

Idolatry: The extreme admiration of, love for (worship), desire for, or reverence of something or someone other than the God who loves us, created us, and has sought out to redeem us.

Idolatry is such a trap that it's **number one** on God's top ten list of things to watch out for.

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me."
Exodus 20:2-3 (NLT)

For the Lord had made a covenant with the descendants of Jacob and commanded them: "Do not worship any other gods or bow before them or serve them or offer sacrifices to them. But worship only the Lord, who brought you out of Egypt with great strength and a powerful arm. Bow down to him alone, and offer sacrifices only to him." **2 Kings 17:35-36 (NLT)**

So while these new residents worshiped the Lord, they also worshiped their idols. And to this day their descendants do the same.
2 Kings 17:41 (NLT)

"So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting His glorious miracles, and obeying His commands."
Psalm 78:7 (NLT)

HOW TO BREAK FREE FROM THE THINGS THAT ARE BREAKING ME (How to crush the idols that are crushing me)

1. I must honestly and openly confess to God the things I have placed before Him!

Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and restore their land. **2 Chronicles 7:14 (NLT)**

But if we confess our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.
1 John 1:9 (NLT)

2. I must place my entire life in the hands of the bondage breaker.

I tell you the truth, anyone who believes has eternal life.
John 6:47 (NLT)

If you openly declare (say it confess it) that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9 (NLT)

"Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter." **Matthew 7:21 (NLT)**

3. Intentionally set in place the **habits** that will keep **Him** first.

*It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and **do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.***

Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

*"Teacher, which is the most important commandment...'" Jesus replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.'" **Matthew 22:36-37 (NLT)***

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **Matthew 6:33 (NIV)***

- The First of my day.
- The First of my week.
- The First of my fruits.

Going deeper on your own: Review today's message notes very carefully and then answer the following questions: Have you ever made Jesus Christ your Lord and Savior? Has there ever been a time in your life where you drew the line in the sand, confessed your sins, asked Jesus to forgive them, and then asked Him to be the Lord of your life? If not do it today. Do it now. Now write and tell us your decision at info@centerpointchurch.com. With that in mind, has there ever been a time when you did make Him your Lord and Savior yet with time you have become bound by the desire for other things? Pastor Jay made the statement that *"Sin always takes you further than you ever wanted to go, keeps you longer than you ever wanted to stay, and costs you more than you ever planned to pay."* Maybe you are feeling that way now, yet here is the encouraging word: Jesus has said, "return to me, and I will set you free." Read 1 John 1:9 then pray, return to Him and let Him begin to restore and set you free.