

DANIEL Part IX
"The problem of idolatry"
Reference: **Daniel 2:46-3:7**
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verses forty-six thru **forty-nine** (see screen)

Daniel requested that Nebuchadnezzar also promote his three Hebrew friends to assist him in governing over the Babylon Empire.

The lesson from that request is that Daniel _____ his friends that had assisted him in getting to where he was.

NOTICE: Daniel didn't get this promotion by himself. He received this promotion in answer to _____.
verses seventeen and **eighteen** (see screen)

Chapter three verses one and **two** (see screen)

Question: Why did Nebuchadnezzar erect this image?

Answer: Some suggest two reasons:

One - He wanted a more _____ Babylonian empire.

Two - He wanted to bring perceived _____ to himself.

The word _____ is used _____ times in **Daniel chapter three**.
(see screen)

Reference: **Genesis 1:27; Exodus 20:1-5** (see screen)

First two Commandments in the Decalogue:
verses one through **three** (see screen)

Commandment One: Worship the _____ and no other gods.

verses four and **five** (see screen)

Commandment Two: Do not create an _____ intended to be worshipped.

Definition: An idol is something or someone we _____ than God; so, idolatry is the practice of worshipping or prioritizing that something or someone _____ God.

Potential Idols:

- _____
Reference: **I Timothy 6:10** (see screen)

- _____
Reference: **Colossians 3:5; Luke 12:13-15** (see screen)

- **Truism:** If we possess something that we could not under any circumstances sell or give away then we don't own that something, that something actually _____ us.

- _____
Reference: **Matthew 22:35-39** (see screen)
Definition: Narcissism is excessive _____ - _____ and **self-centeredness**.

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Reference: **II Timothy 3:1-4** (see screen)