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**Lesson 73: 2 Samuel 2:8-17 Rumble in the Desert**

Read Proverbs 24:1-9. We are not to be envious, but specifically of who here?

Why?

Read Romans 1:18-25. According to this passage, why are men without the excuse of not knowing about God?

What did they begin to worship, instead of God?

Read Exodus 20:3-4. What does God specifically tell the people not to make?

Men are made to worship. Make a list of possible other “idols” (anything that isn’t God!) that man might worship. (Examples to get you started: work, family.)

Now, look back at your list and mark any things that might be an idol in your life.

As you spend time with God today, consider what you spend most of your time on. Is it family? Work? Hobbies? Exercise? Television? Computer? What can you cut out or cut back on and give that time to God? Don’t just cut out something and fill it with a new idol; cut it out and give that time to God. Ask God to help you to find ways to multiply the time you spend with Him every day. If you only spend 15 minutes a day with Him, where can you cut something out so you can spend 30 minutes a day with Him? If you are spending no time with God every day, try for 15 minutes a day. Ask God to help you to remove the idol that you have placed in front of Him and worship the Creator instead of created things.