

A hand-drawn illustration of a scroll with a quill pen. The scroll is light brown with a dark brown outline and is unrolled. A blue quill pen is positioned at the top right corner of the scroll. The text is written in a black, cursive font.

# Lesson 2

## *It's Time To Put God First*

March Sermon Series:  
Prioritize Your Faith  
Make God Your Top Priority



*But Seek First The  
Kingdom of God and His  
righteousness, and all these  
things shall be added to you*

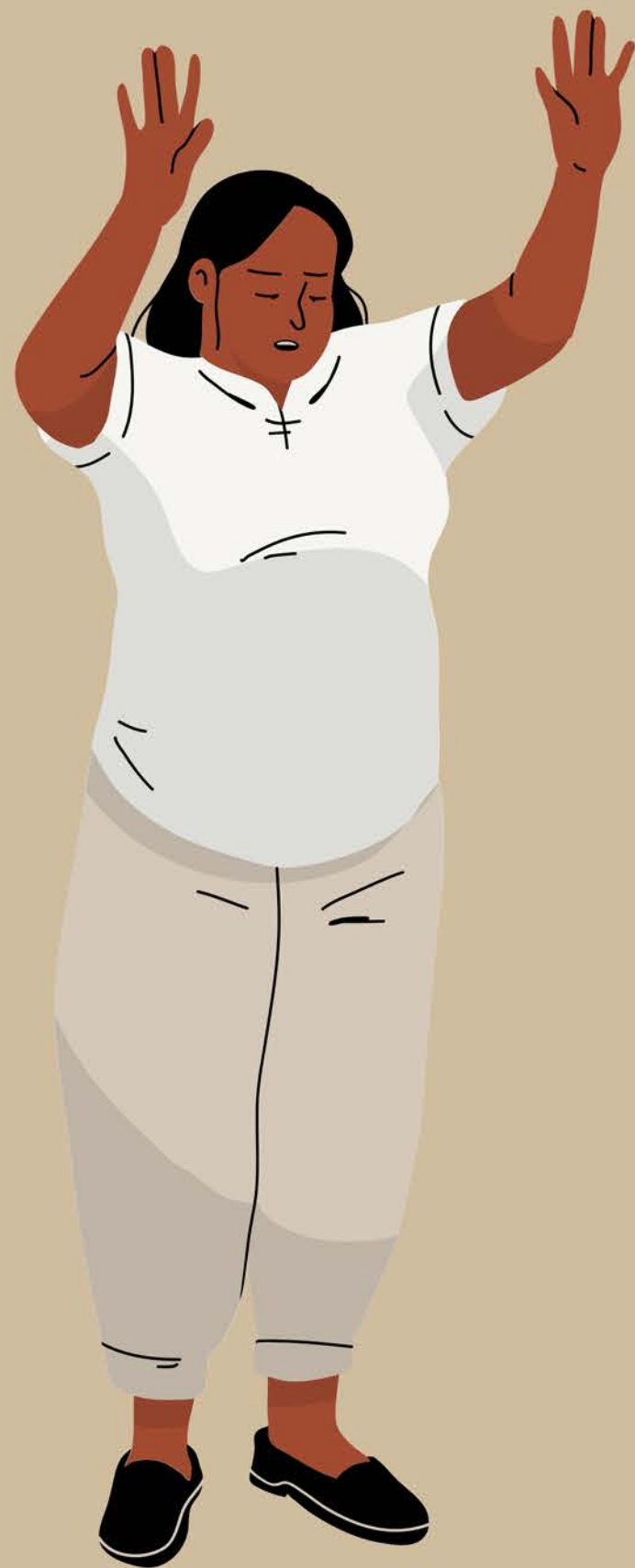


*"If God is not Lord of  
ALL He's not your Lord  
at all."*



## *Exodus 20:1-3*

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.  
"You shall have no other gods before Me."



*"Idolatry is the sin beneath  
every other sin".*



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*1. He is Our Creator.*



## *Colossians 1:15-17*

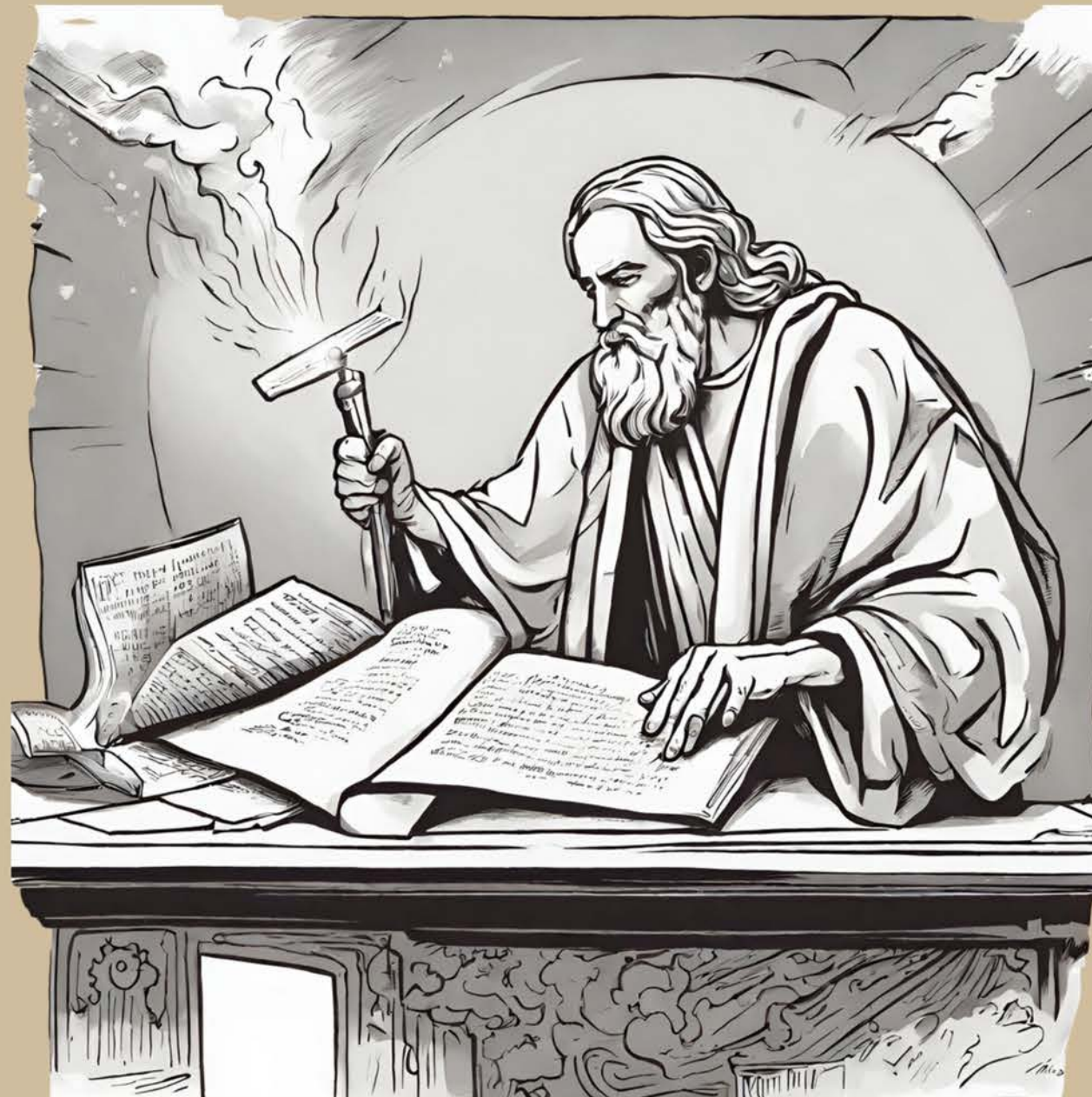
He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of creation. For by Him Jesus, all things were created both in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or rulers or dominions or authorities, all things have been created by Him and for Him.



## *Psalm 100:3*

The Lord. He Himself is God. It is He who made us and not we ourselves. For we are His people, and we are the sheep of His pasture.

## *2. He is Our Covenant Maker.*





## *Romans 5:8*

God demonstrated His love toward us and that while we were yet sinners." He made the first move. "He sent Christ to die for us.

### *3. He is Our Redeemer.*





## *Exodus 20:2*

I am the one who brought you out of the land  
of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

## *Colossians 1:13-14*

For He rescued us from the domain of  
darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of  
His beloved Son in whom we have redemption  
for forgiveness of sins.



## *1 Peter 1:18-19*

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

## *1 Corinthians 6:20*

For you were bought at a price; therefore,  
glorify God in your body and in your spirit,  
which are God's.



## *Five gods from the Old Testament*

1. Baal (Power)
2. Ashtaroth (Pleasure)
3. Mammon (Prosperity)
4. Molech (Pragmatism)
5. Hermes (Play)



*God will SMASH your  
gods if you allow Him to  
do so.*



## *1 Samuel 5:1-4*

When the Philistines captured the ark of God, they brought it from Ebenezer to Ashdod. Then the Philistines took the ark of God and brought it into the house of Dagon and set it up beside Dagon. And when the people of Ashdod rose early the next day, behold, Dagon had fallen face downward on the ground before the ark of the Lord.

So, they took Dagon and put him back in his place. But when they rose early the next morning, behold, Dagon had fallen face downward on the ground before the ark of the Lord, and the head of Dagon and both his hands were lying cut off on the threshold. Only the trunk of Dagon was left to him."



*When we try to prop  
something up in our lives, out  
of love God knocks it down  
and shows how ineffective and  
lifeless it really is.*





*1. Do I love or treasure anything or anyone  
more than God?*

*2. Do I prioritize anything or anyone before  
God?*



3. Does anything bring me more pleasure than  
the things of God?

4. Do I place my identity in anything over my status as a child of God?



*5. Do I look to anything or anyone to meet my needs instead of God?*

6. Do I seek fulfillment or satisfaction from anything outside of God?



*7. Do I seek comfort outside of God?*

*"Whatever thy heart clings to and relies upon,  
that is properly thy God."*

*Martin Luther*

Put God in FIRST  
Place!