"NEITHER BE YE IDOLATERS" I CORINTHIANS 10:7

I. THE APOSTLE USES THE INCIDENT RECORDED IN EXODUS 32:1-6 AS SCRIPTURAL SUPPORT TO UNDERGIRD THE PROHIBITION AGAINST IDOLATRY

- A. It Was The Very People Of God Who Insisted On Returning To Certain Idolatrous Practices
- B. It Was One Of The Lord's Own Chosen Leaders Who Organized The Details Of The Defection
- C. It Was That Leader's Suggestion That This New Form Of Syncretistic Worship Be Practiced "To The Lord"
- D. It Was Inevitable That The People Would Be Divided Into Factions

II. THE APOSTLE SHOCKS US BY SKIPPING OVER THE OBVIOUS AND EMPHASIZING THE STATEMENT LEAST LIKELY TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH IDOLATRY (EXODUS 32:6)

- A. The Point Is That We Violate The Prohibition Against Idolatry Even When We Engage In The Most Seemingly Acceptable Practices Associated With It
- B. We Need To Beware Of The Common Practice Of Making "Redemptive Analogies"