



# ANTIOCH WEEKLY

3.9.25

## Women's Mini Retreat

Ladies— join us for a morning of food, fellowship, and time in God's Word on March 22nd. We'll meet from 9am-1pm at the Community Building at Moore Lake Park in Fridley. Find more info and [register on Church Center!](#)

## Honoring the Drurys

Join us after our worship service on Sunday, April 13th for a special potluck lunch and time to thank Patrick & Kim Drury for their special care for our church family during this interim period.

## DNA Groups

Interested in joining one of Antioch's DNA groups? These small groups of 3-4 people are designed to provide a context for life-on-life discipleship as we Discover, Nurture, and Act! Reach out to Coley at [coley@antiochcommunity.org](mailto:coley@antiochcommunity.org) if you're interested in joining one!

## Contribute Toward the Mission

Want to help Antioch reach the community and make disciples? Give financially through the Church Center app, online at [antiochcommunity.org/give](https://antiochcommunity.org/give), or by dropping your financial gift in the black giving box at the back of our auditorium.

## Connect with Us!

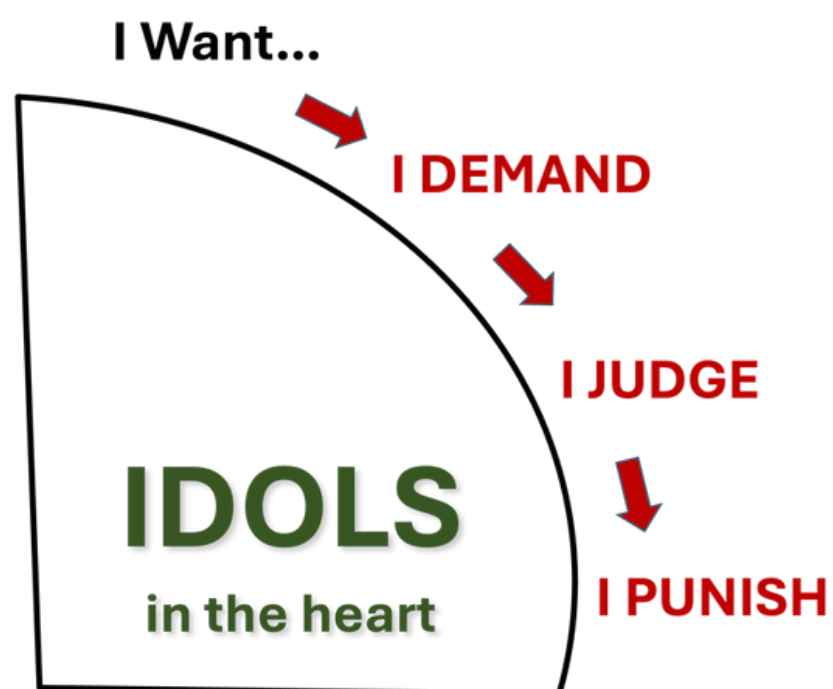
If you'd like to get to know more about getting connected to Antioch, or joining one of our Community Groups, be sure to fill out our [online Connection Form!](#) We'd love to help connect you to what's happening in the life of our church!

# SERMON NOTES

“Idols of the Heart”  
James 4:1-6, 11-12

James is teaching a church how to apply the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7)

## **IDOLS take root in our hearts**



## **IDOLS crush relationships**

James 4:1-2

## **IDOLS crush God's heart**

James 4:4-5

# SERMON DISCUSSION

## “Idols of the Heart” James 4:1-6, 11-12

Have you ever seen actual idols either in a foreign country or in the US? Even if you've just seen it on tv, describe what you saw to the group.

Describe a conflict you were in or close to within the past 5 years. What was it about? How were you impacted by it?

What causes fights and quarrels among us? How do our desires contribute to these conflicts?

Can you share a personal experience where a desire led to a conflict? What was the desire? (Usually a Fear, Craving or a Misplaced Trust) In what ways was the conflict resolved? Did anyone confess the sin in their heart that led them to sin externally?

What are some common idols that people in their 30s might struggle with?

How can we recognize when something has become an idol in our hearts?

How do idols affect our relationships with others?

How do idols impact our relationship with God?

The sermon mentioned four stages of idolatry: Wanting, Demanding, Judging, and Punishing.

Have you experienced these stages in your own life or in your experience with someone else?

How can we move from demanding to asking God with the right motives?

What practical steps can we take to identify and remove idols from our hearts?

How can we help each other transparently see what's in our hearts?

Reflect on the statement: "The human heart is an idol factory." How does this resonate with you?

What is one desire that has become an idol in your life? How can you begin to address it this week?