

Idols (*Gospel in Life* by Timothy Keller)

"Life only has meaning, I only have worth if...

- Power ...I have power and influence over others."
- Approval ...I am loved and respected by....."
- Comfort ...I have this pleasure experience, or a particular quality of life."
- Control ...I am able to get mastery over my life in the area of"
- Helping ...people are dependent on me and need me."
- Dependence ...someone is there to protect me and keep me safe."
- Independence ...I am completely free from obligations or responsibilities to take care of someone."
- Work ...I am highly productive and getting a lot done."
- Achievement ...I am being recognized for my accomplishments, and I am excelling in my work."
- Materialism ...I have a certain level of wealth, financial freedom, and very nice possessions."
- Religion ...I am adhering to my religion's moral codes and accomplished in its activities."
- Irreligion ...I feel I am totally independent of any organized religion and am living by a self-made morality."
- Individual Person ...this one person is in my life and happy to be there and/or happy with me."
- Racial/Cultural ...my race and culture is ascendant and recognized as superior."
- Inner Ring ...a particular social grouping or professional grouping or other group lets me in."
- Family ...my children and/or my parents are happy and happy with me."
- Relationship ...Mr. or Mrs. Right is in love with me."
- Suffering ...I am hurting, in a problem; only then do I feel worthy of love or able to deal with guilt."
- Ideology ...my political or social cause is making progress and ascending in influence or power."
- Image ...I have a particular kind of look or body image."

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