

# **The Ten Commandments (2): Worshipping God Properly**

## **Exodus 20:4-6**

### **I. Introduction**

People desire a tangible God.

### **II. The Second Commandment forbids Idolatry.**

- A. Idol: a physical or mental representation of one's impression of God.
- B. Images reduce the glory of God (Exodus 32: 1-5; Deuteronomy 4:15-20).
- C. Images distort the truth about God (Exodus 32:6).

### **III. Why should we obey this commandment?**

- A. God is a jealous God (Exodus 20:5a, 34:14; Deuteronomy 4:24; 1 Corinthians 10:21-22).
- B. Not obeying bears consequences for our children (Exodus 20:5b-6).
- C. We need help in difficult times (Philippians 4:12-13).

### **V. Conclusion**

Worship God according to the truth of Scripture and by the power of the Holy Spirit (John 4:23-24).