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TURNAROUND

DISCOVER THE KEYS FOR LIFE
TRANSFORMATION AT AGAPE HOUSE

TEAR DOWN THE ALTARS

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Judges 6:25-27, 32 “That night the Lord said to Gideon, ‘Take the second bull from your father’s herd, the one that is seven years old. Pull down your father’s altar to Baal, and cut down the Asherah pole standing beside it. Then build an altar to the Lord your God here on this hilltop sanctuary, laying the stones carefully. Sacrifice the bull as a burnt offering on the altar, using as fuel the wood of the Asherah pole you cut down.’

So Gideon took ten of his servants and did as the Lord had commanded. But he did it at night because he was afraid of the other members of his father’s household and the people of the town. From then on Gideon was called Jerubbaal, which means ‘Let Baal defend himself,’ because he broke down Baal’s altar.”

Three Steps to Tear Down the Altars in Your Life

1. Discern the **IDENTITY** of the Altars in Your Life.

Judges 6:25 “Pull down your father’s altar to Baal.”

Ezekiel 14:3-4 “Son of man, these leaders have set up **idols in their hearts**. They have embraced things that will make them fall into sin. Why should I listen to their requests? Tell them, “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: The people of

Israel have set up idols in their hearts and fallen into sin.”

Idolatry is anything you value and worship in your heart other than Jehovah.

Colossians 3:5-6: “So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don’t be greedy, for a **greedy person is an idolater**, worshiping the things of this world. Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming.”

Revelation 12:11 “And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their

testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.”

2. Destroy the IMPACT of the Altars.

Judges 6:26-27 “Then build an altar to the Lord your God here on this hilltop sanctuary, laying the stones carefully. Sacrifice the bull as a burnt offering on the altar, using as fuel the wood of the Asherah pole you cut down.’ So Gideon took ten of his servants and did as the Lord had commanded.”

Ephesians 4:21-24 “Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from Him, throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and

attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God - truly righteous and holy.”

Joshua 3:5 “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.”

Romans 6:13 “Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life. And use your whole body as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God.”

Matthew 6:24 “No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other.”

**If Jesus is not Lord of all
then He is not Lord at all.**

Deuteronomy 10:12 “Now, Israel, this is what the Lord your God wants you to do: Respect the Lord your God, and do what He has told you to do. Love Him. Serve the Lord your God **with your whole being.**”

3. Defy the INTIMIDATION of the Altars.

Judges 6:27 “So Gideon took ten of his servants and did as the Lord had commanded. But he did it at night because he was afraid of the other members of his father’s household and the people of the town.”

Emotions are not choices.

**A Turnaround is not achieved
by chance. A Turnaround is
achieved by choice.**

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 “The love of Christ controls us. He died for all so that those who live would not

continue to live for themselves. He died for them and was raised from death so that they would live for Him.”

Romans 12:1 “Brothers and sisters, in view of all we have just shared about God’s compassion, I encourage you to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, dedicated to God and pleasing to Him.”

Philippians 3:8-9 “I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in Him.”

Memory Verse: Romans 6:13 “Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life. And use your whole body as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God.”