

## Questions for Home Groups – Judges 6: 25 – 35

- What would have made Gideon's first challenge to pull down the altar to Baal so difficult?
- Why do you think idolatry features as the first of the commandments in Exodus 20: 3-5?
- Using Keller's definition (.."**anything more important to you than God, anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God, anything you seek to give you what only God can give.**"), what are some of the commonest idols in your opinion?
- What do we hope they might deliver?
- What is the danger of an idol gaining a controlling influence on our heart?
- "*Idols capture our imaginations.*" What occupies your mind when you've got nothing else to think about?
- In what sense is it true that how we feel about the prospect of losing something tells us a lot about the controlling hold it has on us? Can you think of an example in your own life?
- "*Our money tends to flow towards the things we love most.*" What do you notice about your own spending patterns?
- How do you identify with the tendency to look to activity to give significance?
- How would you describe the corporate personality of KPC?
- If idols drain the spiritual life of the church, what household idols might the Lord be telling us to take down here at Knowle?
- As a group, ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you the answer to these questions:
  - What good things have been turned into supreme things that rival our attention to God?
  - What is it that we're pouring our time, energies and ambitions into?
  - What desires, values and goals pre-occupy us?
  - What place does God really have in our lives at the moment?
- What might it take to undermine the power of our idols?