



THE MAKING OF AN
AMERICAN IDOL

AMERICAN IDOLS – PART 3



The eBay Mentality

MYTH #1: Having more will make me happier.

TRUTH: THINGS CAN ONLY BRING _____
HAPPINESS.

"He who loves silver will not be satisfied with silver; nor he who loves abundance, with increase. This also is vanity. When goods increase, they increase who eat them; so what profit have the owners except to see them with their eyes?"
Ecclesiastes 5:10-11

"All true needs – such as food, drink and companionship – are satiable. Illegitimate wants – pride, envy, greed – are insatiable. By their nature they cannot be satisfied. In that sense, materialism is the opiate of the people. Enough is never enough." Dr Herbert Schlossberg

MYTH #2: Having more will make me more secure.

TRUTH: REAL SECURITY IS FOUND ONLY IN THINGS THAT
CANNOT BE _____

"The sleep of a laboring man is sweet, whether he eats little or much; but the abundance of the rich will not permit him to sleep." Ecclesiastes 5:12

"If I have made gold my hope, or said to fine gold, 'You are my confidence'; if I have rejoiced because my wealth was

great, and because my hand had gained much... This also would be an iniquity deserving of judgment, for I would have denied God who is above." Job 31:24-28

RETHINKING THE EBAY MENTALITY

1. I MUST _____

"Take words with you, and return to the LORD. Say to Him, 'Take away all iniquity; receive us graciously, for we will offer the sacrifices of our lips. Assyria shall not save us, we will not ride on horses, nor will we say anymore to the work of our hands, 'You are our gods.'" Hosea 14:2-3

"I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely, for My anger has turned away from him" Hosea 14:4

2. LEARN TO BE _____

"...men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself. Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." 1 Timothy 6:5-10

3. PRACTICE THE VIRTUE OF _____

“But as you abound in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you abound in this grace also. I speak not by commandment, but I am testing the sincerity of your love... For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.” 2 Corinthians 8:7-9

WHAT ARE YOU LIVING FOR?

“Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.” Luke 12:15

“And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.” John 17:3