

The god of me....
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³ "It's only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, 'You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die.'" ⁴ "You won't die!" the serpent replied to the woman. ⁵ "God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil."

Genesis 3:3-5 New Living Translation (NLT)

²¹ And the LORD God made clothing from animal skins for Adam and his wife.

Genesis 3:21 (NLT)

¹¹ At one time all the people of the world spoke the same language and used the same words. ² As the people migrated to the east, they found a plain in the land of Babylonia and settled there. ³ They began saying to each other, "Let's make bricks and harden them with fire." (In this region bricks were used instead of stone, and tar was used for mortar.) ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let's build a great city for ourselves with a tower that reaches into the sky. This will make us famous and keep us from being scattered all over the world." ⁵ But the LORD came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ "Look!" he said. "The people are united, and they all speak the same language. After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them! ⁷ Come, let's go down and confuse the people with different languages. Then they won't be able to understand each other." ⁸ In that way, the LORD scattered them all over the world, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why the city was called Babel, because that is where the LORD confused the people with different languages. In this way he scattered them all over the world.

Genesis 11:1-9 (NLT)

What motivates people who live for the god of me?

1. impress others

What is their standard for success?

1. personal gain

⁹ Therefore, I will bring my case against you," says the LORD. "I will even bring charges against your children's children in the years to come.

Jeremiah 2:9 (NLT)

¹¹ Has any nation ever traded its gods for new ones, even though they are not gods at all? Yet my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols! ¹² The heavens are shocked at such a thing and shrink back in horror and dismay," says the LORD. ¹³ "For my people have done two evil things: They have abandoned me—the fountain of living water. And they have dug for themselves cracked cisterns that can hold no water at all!

Jeremiah 2:11-13 (NLT)

What empowers people living for the god of me?

1. self-reliance

What is their purpose?

1. dethrone God

Questions to ask yourself?

What motivates you?

What is your standard for success?

What is your source of power?

What is the purpose of your life?

⁶ And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

James 4:6 (NLT)

¹⁸ The message of the cross is foolish to those who are headed for destruction! But we who are being saved know it is the very power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:18 (NLT)

¹⁸ Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit,

Ephesians 5:18 (NLT)