

## **Read Acts 19**

## **Devotional**

In Ephesus, people had strong emotions about the silver statues of their goddess, Artemis. The silversmiths knew if people started believing in God instead of their man-made idols their income would suffer.

While silver statues may not be the objects of our affection, we have plenty of false gods of our own. One of our most prevalent gods is the unquenchable desire for more—more income, a bigger home or maybe just a cooler phone.

Solid biblical principles can help break the idolatry of more, bigger and better. Learning to steward our resources God's way can bring peace to our finances and break the hold of idolatry in our life.

- 1) What does this passage teach us about God? How does it apply to you?
- 2) What does it mean to value God more than material possessions and money? How does your budget and your priorities need to change to make God your most valued treasure?
- 3) Is it possible to be close to Jesus and talk about Jesus without ACTually knowing Jesus? What does this look like in the modern day Church?

Based on today's reading, what is one thing God is saying to you?