

## **Jeremiah 10; Lord's Day 34**

### **THE ONE TRUE LIVING GOD**

- I. The truth believed.
  - A. The truth behind the law and the first commandment is the truth that God is God.
  - B. Though He is transcendent, beyond our comprehension (I Kings 8:27; Job 11:7-10) He reveals Himself so He can be known.
    - 1. He is pure spirit (John 4:24), not a material and thus invisible.
    - 2. He is personal with an "I" with a will, intelligence, reason, and morality (His goodness).
    - 3. He is infinite, without limits as to ability, space, and time.
  - C. God gave this first commandment when His people came out of a land of idolatry and as it entered another land of many gods.
  - D. To keep the law is truly to fellowship with God; thus it is spiritual, calling for inward compliance – how we do things.
- II. The first commandment forbids idolatry.
  - A. Sinful man's big idol is self (II Tim. 3:1,2): personal happiness, individual rights desire fulfillment and materials of the earth.
    - 1. We must love God and Christ so we are not enslaved by these attachments.
    - 2. Be aware that Christians easily make their own ideas of God other than God's self-revelation.
  - B. We may not put our trust in anyone or anything other than in Him, for man was created always to serve and to trust something.
  - C. Other violations of the first commandment.
- III. God requires a right worship from us.
  - A. This begins with faith holding for truth everything God has revealed about Himself in His Word.
  - B. We are to "cleave" to Him (Deut. 4:4; 10:20; 11:22; 13:4; 30:20; Josh. 22:5; 23:8; II Kings 18:6), adhering or being attached to Him.
  - C. Trust in Him alone, with all humility and patience.
  - D. Expect all good to be only from Him.
  - E. Love, fear, and glorify Him with our whole heart.