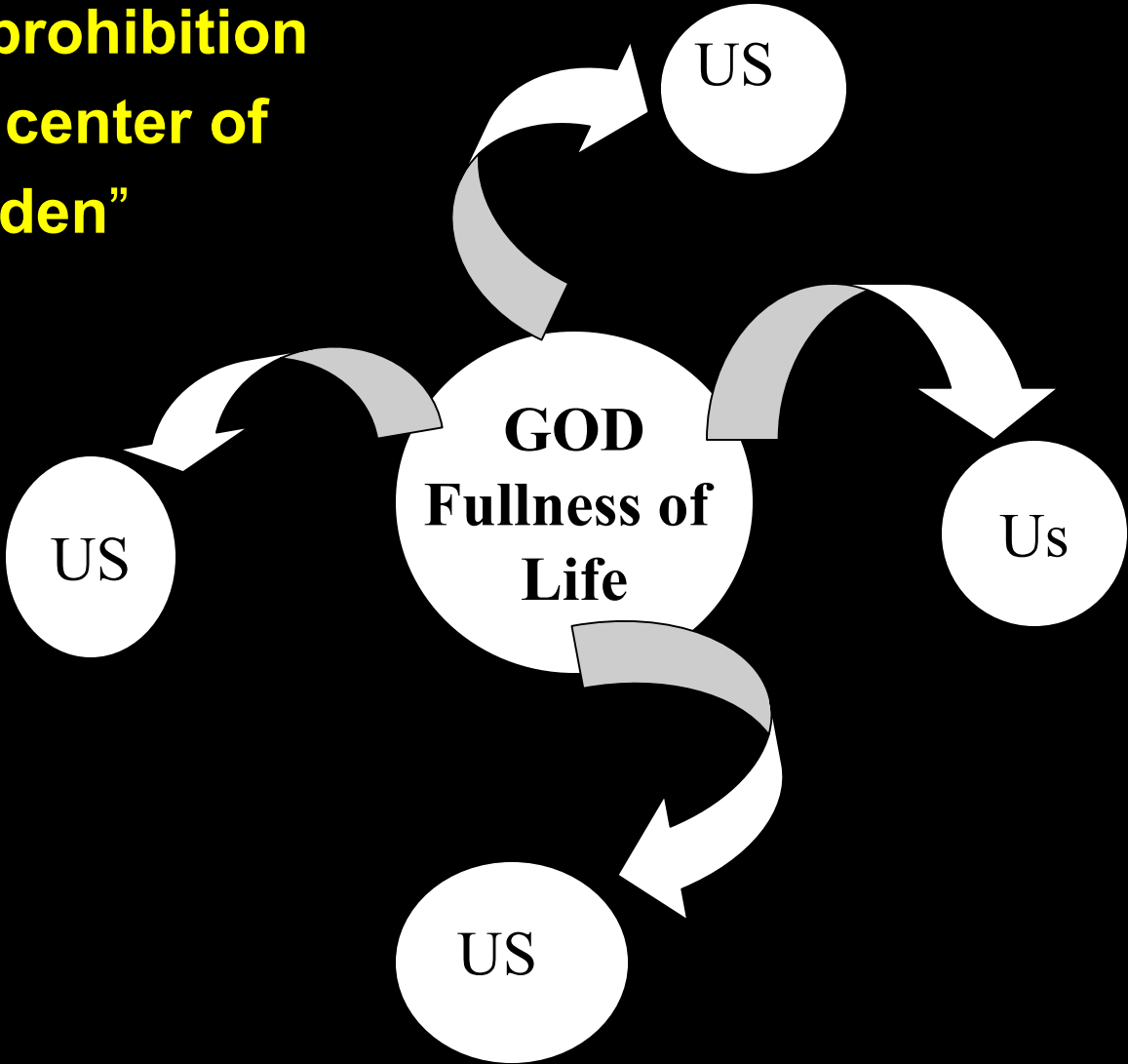
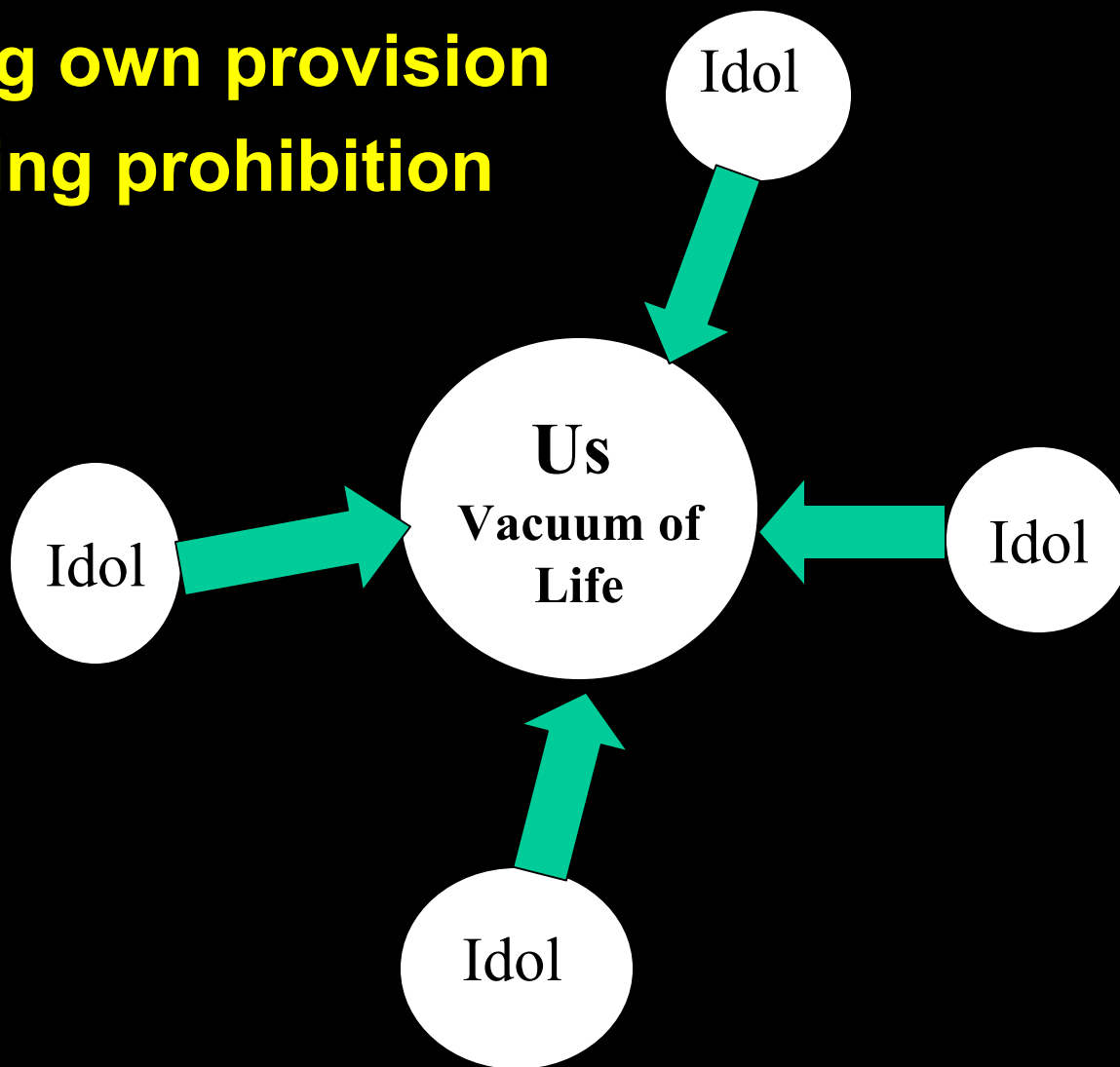


1Cor. 13:4-5 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant *or rude*.

**Enjoy provision and
honor prohibition
“in the center of
the garden”**



**We are at center
getting own provision
violating prohibition**



Rude = I don't care about your thoughts, feelings, concerns, etc... (They have no worth to me).

1. Any belief or action without love is “religious noise” (I Cor 13:1-3).

2. Love is considerate of others (not rude) (I Cor 13:5)

--> *Any belief or action (however true and noble) is “religious noise” if it is accompanied by rudeness!*

Luke 12:13-15 Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?”

And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.”

“Jesus did not call people to a new religion, but to life.” Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Acts 17:22-23 Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.