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- HAS SUCCESSFULLY PENETRATED INTO ALL WALKS AND FRAGMENTS OF LIFE, SOCIETY AND CULTURE.
- HAS THE LONGEST STANDING HISTORY, AND HIGHEST RECORD OF SUCCESS.
- A WAY TO DIRECTLY INSULT AND MOCK GOD – REBELLION AGAINST GOD.

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- TENDENCY TO BRING GOD DOWN TO HIS LEVEL WHICH HE CAN TOUCH, FEEL, CONFINE AND CONTROL.
- DIVERT PEOPLE TO THE WORSHIP OF OTHER GODS, WITH OR WITHOUT THE WORSHIP OF JEHOVAH GOD.
- CAUSE CHRISTIANS TO WORSHIP GOD IN THE WAY PAGANS WILL TO WORSHIP THEIR IDOLS.
- MUST COLLABORATE ITSELF WITH OTHER SPIRITS TO STRENGTHEN ITS WORK.

CONSEQUENCES OF IDOL WORSHIP

- **Suffering** (physical, emotional or financial) (esp. suffering that is unknown, or diseases that is rare.)

Ex 32:35, “And the LORD struck the people with a plague.”

Ps 135:15-18, “..those who make them will be like them, and so will all who trust in them.”

- Vicious Cycle of Disaster (health, material, mental, etc)
- Spirit of Death

- **Children likely to suffer.**

Ex 20:5, ‘...For I am a Jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation.’

- closely linked to child sacrifice. (**Lev 18:21**)

CONSEQUENCES OF IDOL WORSHIP

- **Purposelessness**

2 Kings 17:15 – They became worthless.

Acts 19:28-34 - They will lack purpose in life. (**v32** – *‘Most of the people did not even know why they were there.’*)

Ex 32:25 – They will become wild and out of control.

What happens when a person live life without purpose?

No joy, worrying, doubts, endless worries, easily confused, anxiety, rage, anger, impatience, fear

-> unbelief, bitterness, emotional related sickness.

CONSEQUENCES OF IDOL WORSHIP

- **Spiritually sensitive and quick in spiritual gifts**

However, easily deceived, and severe wavering make it difficult to mature.

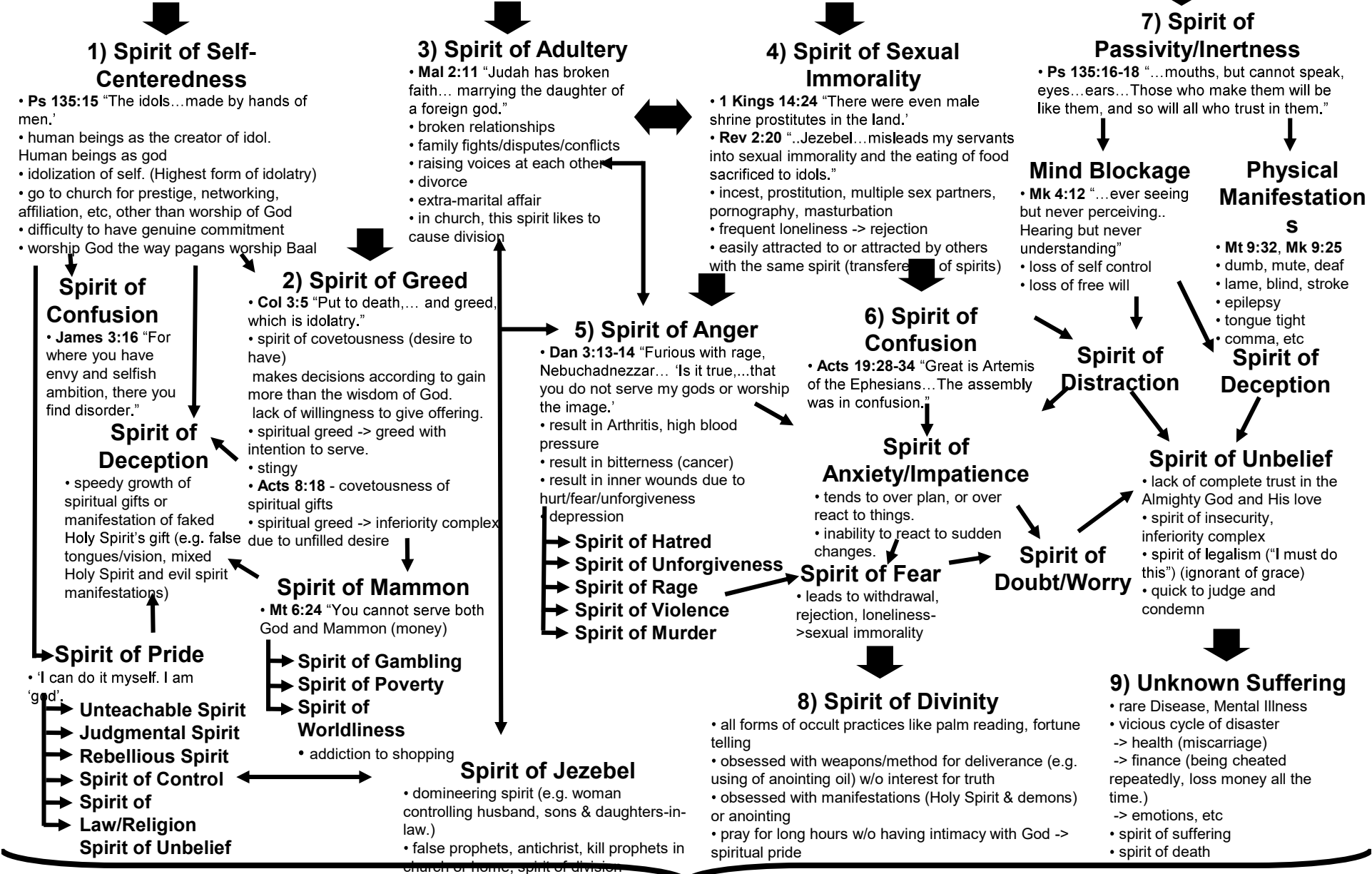
spiritual covetousness. E.g. overly interested in spiritual gifts, anointing, manifestation of spirit, spiritual phenomenon, etc.

- **Self Centeredness**

Pride, Unteachable -> Hardening of hearts.

SPIRIT OF IDOLATRY

- Ex20:3 "You shall have no other gods before me."
- Strengthens its work through collaboration with other spirit(s)



Blockages to Prayer and Spiritual Growth

* Arrow indicates "manifested into" or "collaboration"

(If not delivered and continue to live life with no repentance, these could be legitimate grounds for satan to bring one to hell)