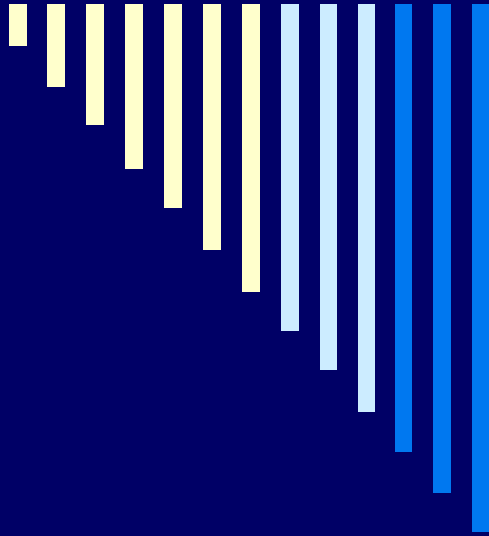
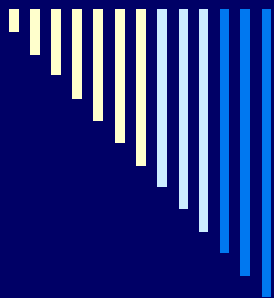




**“No one can serve
two masters”**

Matthew 6:24



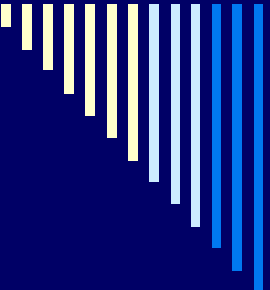
**The question at the
beginning of the fast:
Is God my only Master?**

1. For Adam and Eve, desire for knowledge caused them to transgress



“...For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

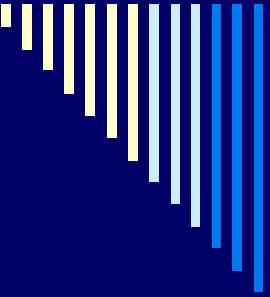
Genesis 3:5



2. For King Solomon, pleasures were his distraction



“Whatever my eyes desired I did
not keep from them.
I did not withhold my heart
from any pleasure .”
Ecclesiastes 2:10



3. For the Pharisees, keeping the rite was more important than mercy and justice



“For I desire mercy and not
sacrifice, And the knowledge of
God more than burnt offerings”

Hosea 6:6

4. For Martha, it was the service itself that distracted her from the Lord



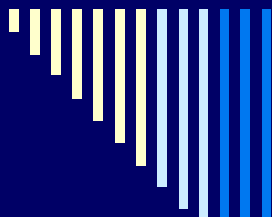
“But Martha was distracted with much serving”

Luke 10:40

**5. Even for the
Disciples, the question
of who should be the
first among them
distracted them at a
certain time**



“And whoever desires to be **first**
among you, let him be your slave”
Matthew 20:27



6. For Ananias and Sapphira, the love of money cost them their lives

