

David Kellermann, Freddie Mac CFO, Said To Have Committed Suicide



UPDATE: 11:55 PM: [The Washington Post](#) reports more new information about Kellerman's apparent suicide, including the heartbreaking detail that his wife discovered him hanging from a piece of exercise equipment in the basement.

In addition, he was not immune to some of the recent controversies at Freddie Mac:

He and a group of company attorneys tussled with its regulator in early March as the firm prepared to file its quarterly earnings report with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The group insisted that Freddie Mac inform shareholders of the cost to the company of helping carry out the Obama administration's housing recovery plan. The regulator urged the company not to do so, according to several sources familiar with the matter. An FHFA official contested that account, saying the

Real estate power broker dead of apparent suicide

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CHICAGO, Illinois (CNN) — One of Chicago's most well-known real estate moguls appears to have shot himself to death, police said.



COURTESY CHICAGO ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

Steven Good was found dead of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot Monday, police said.

The body of Steven L. Good was found in his Jaguar on Monday. The car was spotted in a parking lot of a wildlife preserve in Kane County, Illinois, just outside Chicago, authorities said.

No note was found, and police say they do not know how long the 52-year-old had been in the vehicle.

Good was the chairman and chief executive officer of Sheldon Good & Co., a major U.S. real estate auction company.

The death comes amid great turmoil in the country's real estate industry. In his role as chairman of the Realtors Commercial Alliance Committee, Good commented on tough conditions last month at a business conference.

Rene-Thierry Magon de la Villehuchet - Madoff Investor Commits Suicide

GREG KELLER | December 26, 2008 08:10 PM EST | **AP**



PARIS — Rene-Thierry Magon de la Villehuchet saw his fortune and his loved ones' money disappear along with his clients' when he lost \$1.4 billion he had invested with Bernard Madoff, the French financier's brother said.

Magon de la Villehuchet, 65, was found dead at his desk in New York on Tuesday, both of his wrists slashed and a bottle of pills nearby.

His brother said Magon de La Villehuchet invested virtually all his own funds, along with money from friends and family, with Madoff, who was arrested Dec. 11 and allegedly told FBI agents he had masterminded a \$50 billion fraud.

Magon de la Villehuchet "invested his own fortune," up to several tens of millions of dollars, his brother Bertrand Magon de la Villehuchet told The Associated Press on Friday.

"He was totally ruined," and so was his business partner Patrick Littaye, Bertrand said in a telephone interview from his home on Paris' chic Place des Vosges.

Recession Drives Billionaire to Suicide

by Reuters on Tuesday, 06 January 2009

German billionaire Adolf Merckle, buffeted by financial turmoil and struggling to salvage his business empire, has killed himself, his family said on Tuesday.



Great depression: Adolf Merckle committed suicide on Monday as his struggling business empire overwhelmed him.

"The desperate situation of his companies caused by the financial crisis, the uncertainties of the last few weeks and his powerlessness to act, have broken the passionate family entrepreneur and he took his own life," a family statement said.

Prosecutors in the southern German town of Ulm, near Merckle's home, said the 74-year-old died when a train struck him late on Monday. There was no sign anyone else was involved, they said.

An IDOL is anything...

- that's more important to you than God
- that absorbs your heart & imagination above God
- that you expect to give you what only God can give
- to which you devote your greatest attention, passion, & resources
- to which your soul says: "If can have THAT, THEN I'll feel like my life has value, meaning, significance"

IDOLS can never deliver what they promise

"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

Luke 12:15

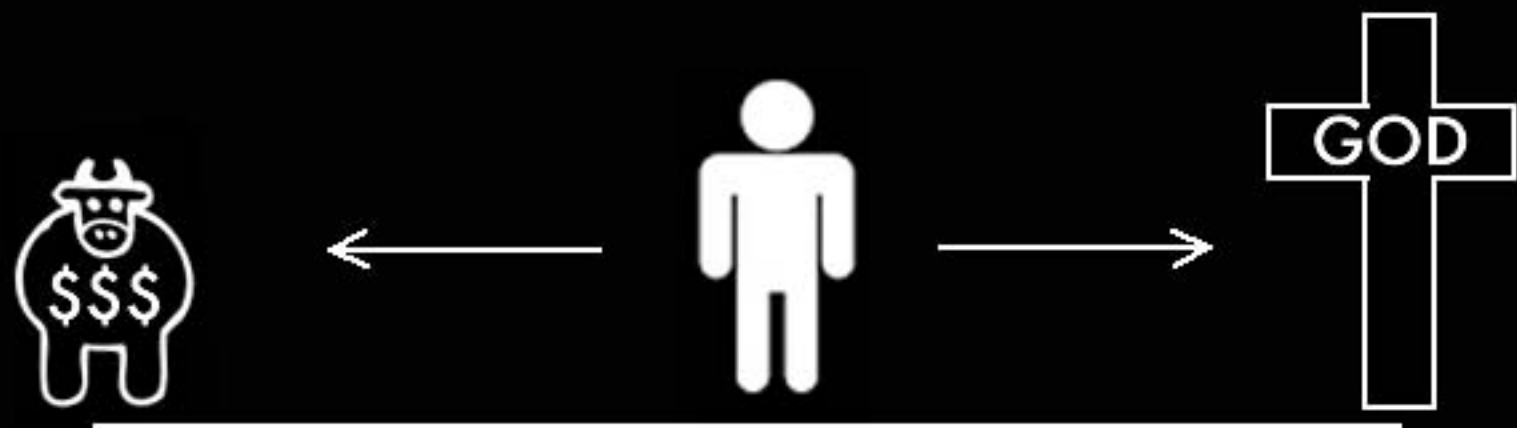
Luke 11:37-42

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other.

You cannot serve both God and Money."

Luke 16:13





Those who are:

- *spiritually content will be materially hungry*
- *materially content will be spiritually hungry*

External IDOLS:

- money
- power
- sex
- fame
- job
- children
- ???

External idols are those things through which our *internal* idols seek fulfillment.

External IDOLS:

- money
- power
- sex
- fame
- job
- children
- ???

Internal IDOLS:

- significance
- security

Later that day Zaccheus stood up and said to the Lord, "I will give half of my property to the poor. And I will now pay back four times as much to everyone I have ever cheated."

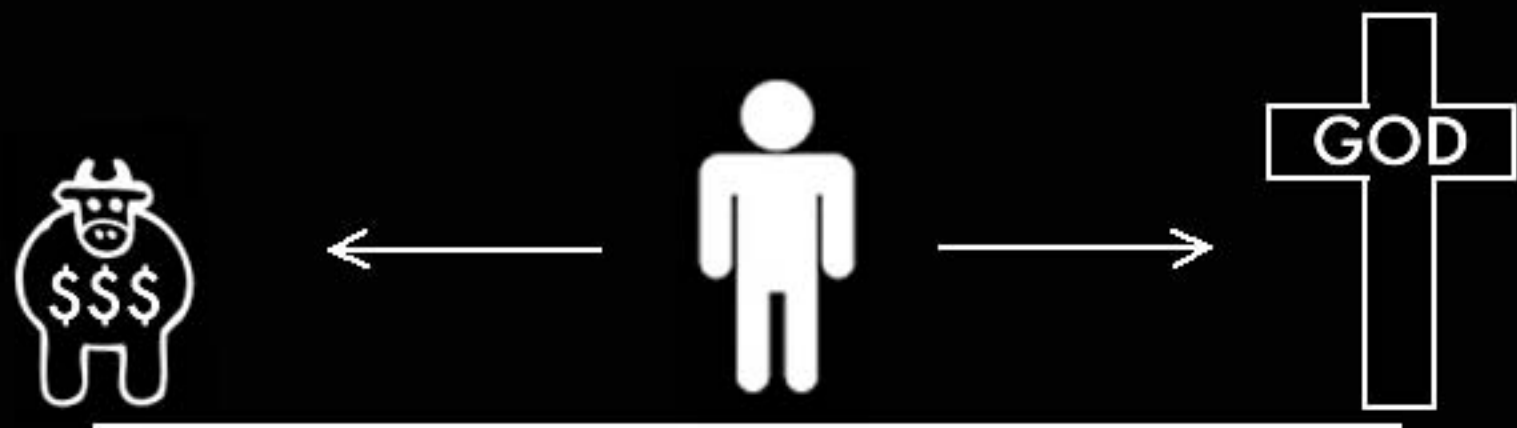
Jesus said to Zaccheus, "Today you and your family have been saved..."

Luke 19:8-9

GREED: "What's mine is mine because of me."

GRACE: "What's mine is His because of Him."

The firmer the grasp you have on the GOSPEL,
the more your heart will be moved towards
GENEROSITY



*"For where your treasure is,
there your heart will be also."*

Luke 12:34

Is your *internal* idol SECURITY?

"Because He is Lord, you don't have to be."

TRUST



Is your *internal* idol SIGNIFICANCE?

"His death in your place proves your worth."

ACCEPTANCE



