

## Genesis 30-31 – No Other Gods 2

### July 5, 2020 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



#### Questions:

1. What superstitions did you have when you were young? Share some stories in your group.
2. Look at the list of “false gods” in the sermon outline above. In what ways can they be unreliable?
3. If they really are so unreliable, why do you think people so often still depend on them?
4. What else do you remember about the sermon? Did anything impact or challenge you? Do you have any questions?
5. Read Isaiah 2:6-11 (this passage was read at the end of the sermon)
  - a) Why had the Lord abandoned His people?
  - b) What do you think is the root cause of these kinds of sins?
  - c) Now read Isaiah 2:17-18. What was God planning to accomplish in their lives?
  - d) Now read the beginning of the chapter (Isaiah 2:1-5). What future hope is described? When do you think these things will happen and what might it all look like?
6. Read Deuteronomy 4:23-24
  - a) What does it mean that God is jealous? Isn't jealousy supposed to be a bad thing? (see Proverbs 6:34)
  - b) What do you think it means that God is a consuming fire?
7. Read Mark 10:17-23
  - a) Why do you think Jesus made it a point to say that only God is good?
  - b) Did this man think that he was good? Why or why not?
  - c) What “false god” in his life did Jesus zero in on? How is it clear that it was a false god?
  - d) Is it Biblical to say that money can be a false god? (see Luke 16:13, Colossians 3:5, and Ephesians 5:5)
  - e) Is there anything that you would be unable to give up if God asked you to? Why or why not?
8. Take some time to prayerfully consider whether there are any false gods in your life. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you and empower you to cut ties with them.
9. Spend some time praying together. Pray for any specific prayer needs in your group.