"Which God Is on Your Side?" Genesis 30:25–31:55 October 22, 2023

The Deal (Genesis 30:25-36)

"Tell me, what shall your wages be?" (Genesis 29:15)

The Blessing (Genesis 30:37-43)

The Getaway (Genesis 31:1-21)

"Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Long ago, your fathers lived beyond the Euphrates, Terah, the father of Abraham and of Nahor; and they served other gods." (Joshua 24:2)

The Confrontation (Genesis 31:22-42)

The Covenant (Genesis 31:43-55)

Which God is on your side?

"The human heart is a factory of idols." (John Calvin)

"Little children, keep yourselves from idols" (1 John 5:21).

Notes



Discuss

- Can you describe the biblical principle of interpretation description vs. prescription and why it's important for understanding this passage?
- What are common manifestations of idolatry in our culture?
- What have you been (or are you being) tempted to idolize?
- Can you explain, like Genesis 30:25–31:55 so clearly does, that your (current or former) idols are impotent and unworthy of trust?
- What principles could a Christian in a bad situation glean from Genesis 30:25–31:55 about how to and how not to respond?

Read

Hebrews 12:3-17

Pray

- That the Holy Spirit will help you to rely on the promises of God, not yourself, in facing hard situations.
- That the Holy Spirit will help you to see through the lies of idolatry.

Bulletin

- Women's Bible Study: Wednesdays at 10:00am
- Youth Ministry (6th–12th Graders): First and Third Wednesdays at 6:30pm
- Trunk or Treat: October 29 from 3:00–5:00pm
 - Volunteer Meeting: Sunday, October 22 at 12:15pm
 - Neighborhood Outreach: Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30pm
- Operation Christmas Child Packing Party: November 4 from 9:00-11:30am
- Building Workday: November 18 at 8:00am
- Thanksgiving Potluck Meal: November 19 at 12:00pm
- Men's Breakfast: December 2 at 8:00am
- Members' Meeting: December 10 at 5:00pm