

God's At War  
Joshua 24, Exodus 20  
Discussion Guide, June 6, 2021

**CHECK UP:**

Memory Work Review: Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. - Romans 16:19

- How did you live out what you learned in the book of Romans this past week?

*Opening message: This series (authored by Kyle Idleman) is a very personal and deep hitting series. It is going to address topics that bypass surface level and cut straight to the heart of the matter... namely, idolatry. With that being said, there are three commitments we need to make as a group:*

- *Our group is a safe space to share with one another without fear of condemnation or breaking of confidence.*
- *I will take the material personally and not project what other people need.*
- *I will follow the Spirit's leading when I feel conviction and will take the appropriate steps to pursue healing and reconciliation.*

**OPEN: Read Exodus 20:1-6**

- How have you typically thought about the subject of idolatry?
  - o Is idolatry something you have typically thought of as something you are guilty of committing or one of the ten commandments that you have been faithful in keeping?

**WATCH THE VIDEO and ASK:**

- What is your initial reaction to the video?
- How did the video challenge/change/affirm your view of idolatry? (You can't break any of the other commandments without making an idol- Martin Luther).
- Respond to this quote, "sin is the tangible fruit, idolatry is the root."
- Kyle offered several questions to help us evaluate our lives and identify idols.
  - o Did any particular question resonate with you or challenge you?

**READ and ASK: Joshua 24:14-15**

- What "gods of your parents" do you struggle with not worshipping?
- What "gods of your past" still rear their head?

- What are some of the most prominent “gods of culture”? (gods that may seem so normal we don’t even realize we are worshipping them).
  - o How do you/have you struggled with worshipping these gods?

**APPLY:**

- If there was one theme/phrase/comment that was made in the video that had an impact on you in a personal way, what was it?
  - o What do you need to do about it?
- NEXT STEP(S): What steps do you need to take in order to wholeheartedly say, “as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord”? (keep in mind that these same Israelites that respond rightly did not stick with their commitment, see Judges 2:10-11).

Memory Work:

But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” -  
Joshua 24:15