

Session # 3 (22 min) **Our Other Lovers (Idols)** Page 4 of the work book

What stuck out to you as most significant in this session?

What does being “born dead to God” mean to you?

What are some old thinking patterns (without a lot of details) that you have identified that are a result of having been dead to God and are a problem for you personally?

Anything that we run to other than Jesus in the moment is an idol. Why do we hold onto these things even when they don’t really work?

Rachel and Leah tried to hold onto their old family idols. What are some “idols” that Christians tend to hold onto in order to feel better about themselves or solve their problems?

Discuss the role of the veil in the Tabernacle/Temple. What was it? What was its purpose?
Why was it torn in two when Jesus was on the cross?
What does this say about our access to God?

How does dependence on “idols” affect our “access” to God? Why is this so in your opinion?

What do you think it means that we are living in the realm of “limited resources” when we rely on our idols?

Trusting the old ways of coping is like putting the veil back up in the Tabernacle.
Do you agree or disagree with this statement and why?

How would you describe your understanding of “the flesh”? What is it?
If we have “died with Christ” (Romans 6:7), what is it that we still struggle with?

Jonah 2:8 says “those who trust in idols forfeit the grace that could have been theirs.”
What does this mean to you?
In what ways have you “forfeited grace” in your past choices?

Without going into great detail, what are some coping tools/idols (A, B or C grade) that you personally run to?

How might you be able to determine whether a “good thing” has become an idol?

Spend some time in prayer groups to end –

After having watched this session, how would you like others to pray for you?