

Idols of the Heart

Learning to Long for God Alone

Lesson #1 “Rachel’s Gods and You”

□ Read Introduction and Chapter One and answer the following questions from pages 13-30.

Text: **1 John 5:21** Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

1. What does idolatry have to do with?
2. How long will our war with sin last?
3. What is involved in God’s process of sanctification?
4. What has God given to assure our growth in holiness?
5. What sins did Rachel commit in taking her father’s idols?
6. What twisted Rachel’s thinking?
7. What eroded Rachel’s joy in being blessed with a child from the Lord?

8. What are idols?

9. What happens when God has His rightful place in our hearts?

10. How can everyday duties and blessings become sinful?

11. “If you’re _____ to _____ to obtain _____ goal, or if you _____ when you _____ get what you want, then _____ desire has taken _____ place and _____ functioning as a _____.”

12. What made Rachel idolatrous?

13. In **Jeremiah 17:5-6** what is the curse involved in idolatry?

14. How do we not notice the good things that happen around us?

15. How do we win this conflict with idolatry in our hearts?