

The Call for Decision

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Joshua 24: 1-15

Past History reminds us of God's faithfulness. (vs. 2-13)

God chose Israel. (vs. 2-4)

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit." John 15:16

God delivered Israel. (vs. 4b-7)

God guided Israel. (vs. 8-10)

"However, the Lord your God would not listen to Balaam but turned the curse into a blessing for you, because the Lord your God loves you."

Deuteronomy 23:5

God gave the land to Israel. (vs. 11-13)

Fear and Serve God. (vs. 14)

Two false gods that can tempt us today:

Materialism

Narcissism

Other?

Choose today whom you will serve. (vs. 15)

"Resolved: that all men should live for the glory of God. Resolved second:

That whether others do or not, I will."

Jonathan Edwards

"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6:33

Questions for Discipleship Group and/or Personal Study

What do you want to be remembered for at your funeral? What phrase would you like on your epitaph?

Read Joshua 24:1-13.

Why do you think God gives them this history lesson?

What are some highlights of your story that emphasize God's faithfulness?

Read vs. 14-15.

What other "gods" tempt you?

How does it feel to choose between God and this other idol?

How can your group help you forsake it?

How will you keep your commitment to serve God?

How can your group help you in this resolve?

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