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2020 Bible Reading Plan: The New Testament!!! Will you join us? IN FELLOWSHIP WITH SOMEONE? Week #21: Mark 10-14

## Return to Your Master: Stay Don't Stray! Lessons from Jeremiah

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What is a false god? An idol? Something you value, trust, & love more than God

Purposes of Idols
Why are they made and worshiped?

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- 2. Self-Control
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- 4. Ancestor Worship
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- 6. Covetous Desire for Pleasures

Have you made any of these things an idol?

health, wealth, status, materialism, family, sports, entertainment, substances, appearance, work, education, food

#### Do you see your sin as s\_\_\_\_\_?

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