

I WAS _____.
NOW I'M NOT.

Highlands Fellowship

I Was "In Fantasy". Now I'm Not.

1 Corinthians 10:23

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Main Point

Chasing idols over God prevents us from experiencing the freedom that God has to offer.

Open Doors

As your time begins, use this section to introduce the topic of discussion.

When you were a child, what is something you believed was true that later found out was not?

How long did that false belief continue? What factors perpetuated that fantasy?

As adults, what are some subtle lies we believe that impact our daily lives?

Digging In

Discuss the Scripture to discover what it says or means about a particular topic.

Ask someone to read 1 Corinthians 10:23.

- Put verse 23 in your own words.
- Do Paul's words here narrow the definition of idolatry or broaden it? Explain.

Ask a volunteer to read Jonah 2:8.

- Name idols that people turn to today. What is the ultimate problem with idols?

Ask a volunteer to read Ecclesiastes 10:1-3.

- Discuss the question posed in this week's sermon, "What are you trying to make visible?"
- What is the connection between idolatry and your efforts to make certain things "visible"?

Taking it home

Identify how the truths from the Scripture passage apply directly to your life.

Respond to the Bob Goff quote from this week's message: "Don't plant sod where God is wanting to plant seeds... It's more important to grow than to look finished." In what way do you need to apply this to your own life?

Can you be involved in gospel advancement if you're living for yourself rather than Christ? Why or why not?

Read Hebrews 11:1. Where do you tend to confuse fantasy (what is seen/perceived in this world) with the realities of God's kingdom (what is unseen and requires faith)?

PRAYER

Pray that learners will experience true freedom in Christ and bring glory to God as they reject falsehood and the idols falsehood creates. Pray specifically for God to reveal Himself and the areas of self-reliance that may be hindering His work in your group.