

JULY 12, 2020

THE IDOLS SAY SOMETHING
Isaiah 40 & 44

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Leviticus 26:1

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We want something that _____. Isaiah 40

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Jesus is consistently _____. The Gospels ;)

God _____ us to steward and _____. Matt. 25:14-30; 2 Cor. 5:14-6:1

We were created to be _____. Eph. 2; Gen. 1:26-31

Talking through the message during the week can really help clarify the things that God is teaching you and let others learn from your experiences.

What thought stood out most to you in the message?

When you think about idols in Scripture, what thoughts first come to mind and why?

Why do you think the Israelites consistently turned to idols and foreign gods?

In what ways do you see idols communicating something about our internal desires and needs as humans? Which of the first four statements do you relate with the most?

What surprises you about the Living Word and how Christ speaks to all of our internal desires and needs?

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