

The Ones that "Follow" Us

Definition of an idol – anything valued above the LORD as evidenced by our lives violating the character and plan of God

Note on use of Genesis 31 – God keeping his promise

Idolatry evidences in Genesis 31 (have any of these happened before?)

<u>Action</u>	<u>What wrong view of God and His plan</u>	<u>What is the idol</u>
Laban		
Poor treatment of Jacob 7	God's justice ignored	prosperity, prestige
Accusations 30	God is judge	prestige - image
Threats; no remorse 43	God as protector, ruler	prestige
Covenant not peace 44	God and gods used as threat	protection
Daughters		
Complains against father 14	God's plan of parental respect	protection from hurt
Rachel		
steal idols 19	God as provider; as Father	provision; identity
Jacob		
Speaking evil of Laban 6-8	God not his justifier 12	prestige
Fleeing instead of leaving 20	not trusting God's protection 31	protection
Anger at Laban's accusations 36 ff	not humble, accusatory	prestige

Idolatry evidences in my life James 4:4

The last sinful action / accusation of sin in my life

Simple truth solution

Eyes on our LORD His character, promises – rehearse it James 4:10

Thankfulness and humility Colossians 3:12-17