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Podcast Worksheet
Why Am I Lost? Finding Our Way Back to God

Scriptural Texts:

Jeremiah 2:11-18; 3:12-13, 15

Main Points:

1. Battling our will and our flesh is a daily reality.
2. Jeremiah warns us of two sins: Forsaking God (abandoning him for false idols) and building broken cisterns (making choices and going in directions that don't work).
3. When we cut God out of our life, we end up with broken lives and disappointment.
4. Our solutions are not solutions at all, they are bondage, taking our life captive, and bringing loss.
5. We forsake God when we don't give him the place of primary importance in our life.
6. We forsake God when we don't spend time with him, pray, read Scripture, go to church, interact with other Christians, obey his Word, etc.
7. God wants a close and connected relationship with us.
8. He knows pain and unmet needs are behind our choices to build broken cisterns, needs he wants to meet for us.
9. God wants us to return to him and let him do a restorative work.
10. It grieves God when we choose roads that bring pain and devastation to our life and the lives of our loved ones.
11. We can trust the One True God who will always come to our aid and help us.
12. We may have left him, but God has not left us, he never does.

Questions:

1. Describe some of your broken cisterns? What consequences have you experienced as a result?

2. Describe ways you have now or in the past forsaken God? How can you make better choices today?

3. What does God want in his relationship with you? Why?

Prayer of Response:

Lord God, I know, all too often, I have forsaken your way, the way that leads to a good life, and instead, have trusted in the wrong things, relying on myself. Forgive me. I do want to return to you today. Thank you for your faithful and reliable love for me. Help me go a new way. In Jesus name, amen.

Commitment: After prayerful meditation on this podcast, I am going to _____
