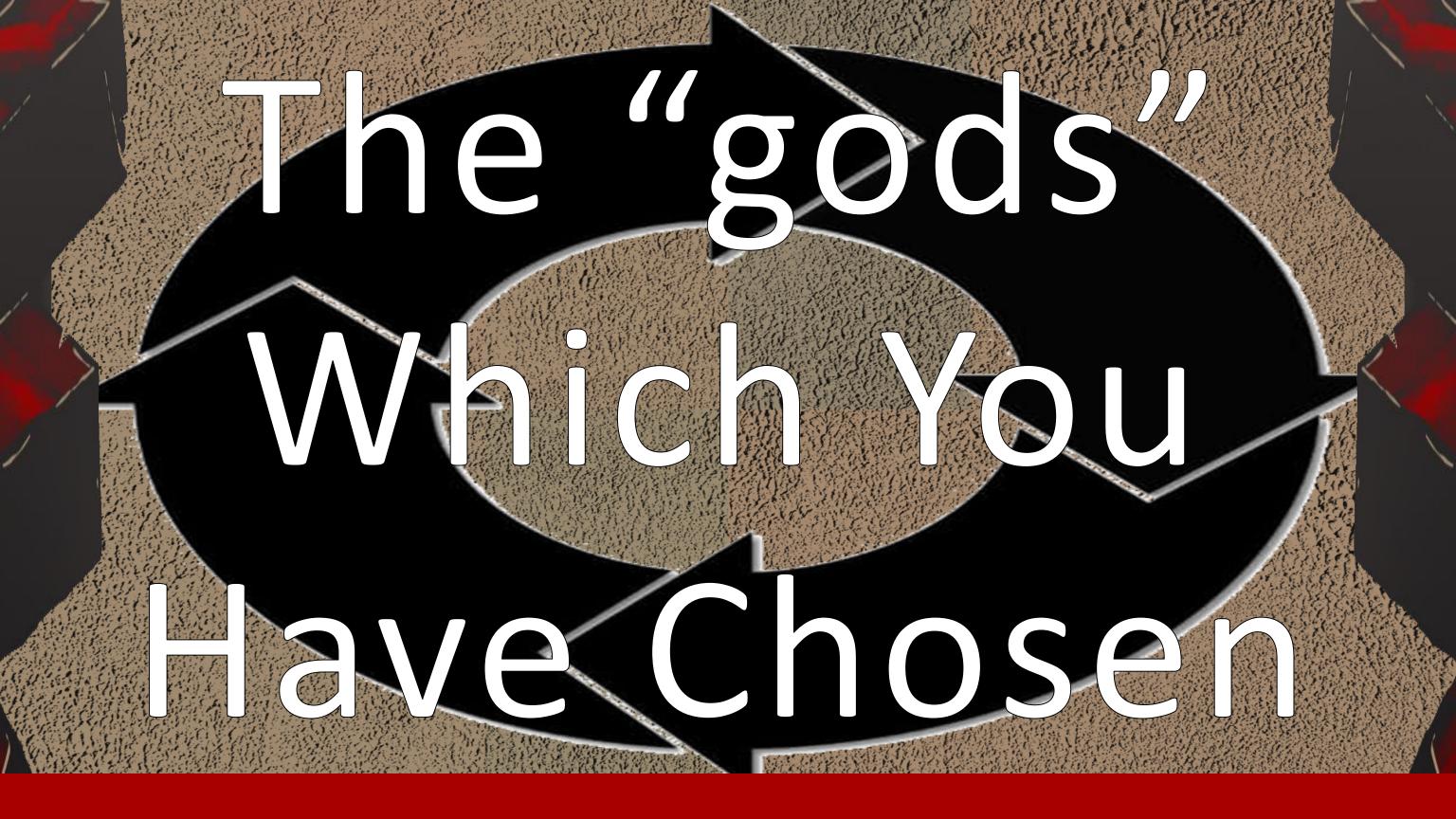


Judges 10:1-18



"Lord, expose & address sin in our lives; may we NEVER get comfortable in the presence of sin; & may that reality of what Jesus Christ saved us from leave us in pure amazement & forever gratitude"



Judges 10:1-2 "Tola" = Worm (possibly because he was in the purple dye trade?) Judges 10:3-5



It's possible that Jair's 30 sons were appointed under him to go around administering justice (similar to Samuel's sons) Judges 10:6-7



Israel was willing to look anywhere for help, other than the ONE place help was to be found - YHWH



Intermarrying & years of being around these Canaanites led Israel to dabble & eventually dwell with these fake gods



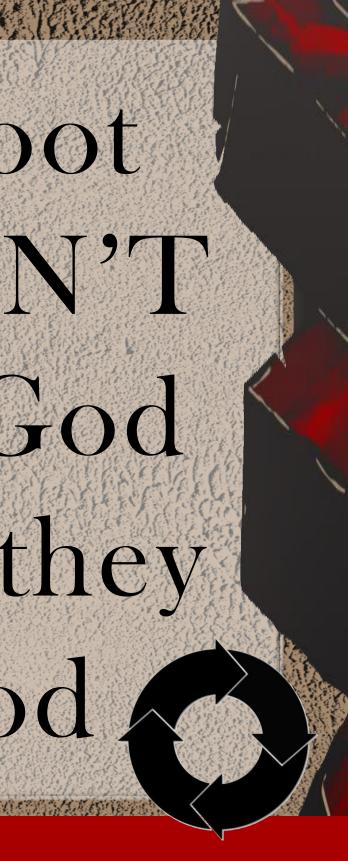
Seeing this & knowing their wicked hearts led God to bubble with anger (like molten lava)



It seems like ONE of the quickest ways to incite that type of anger from God is through idolatry (a wandering heart)



Here was Israel's root problem - they DIDN'T always like the way God chose & they thought they knew better than God



Like God had done several times before, God gives the Israelites over into the hands of a pair of oppressive nations (the Philistines & the Ammonites)



Judges 10:8-9 "Afflicted" = to dash in pieces; to shatter; to regularly harass



Do you get the sense that the Ammonites are frequently crossing the Jordan River to attack Judah, Benjamin, & Ephraim? Judges 10:10



Israel acknowledges that they've sinned against God The solution was confess & repent (Go to the Lord & ask forgiveness) Judges 10:11



Joshua 10:5

Judges 3:13

Judges 3:31



God was reminding Israel of how He has ALWAYS been faithful & caring for them (even when they were NOT deserving)



Judges 10:12-13 Judges 10:14 For so long, God was pushed to the sidelines & Israel chose other "gods" over Him



Judges 10:15-16 What makes this time different is the Children of Israel followed up their words with action (Israel repented) Judges 10:17-18







