

REFLECTING ON SCRIPTURE

Week of August 25-31

SEE:

Reflecting on this scripture, where did you see God at work in your life this past week?

SEEK:

How does this scripture spark insight, hope, or action for the coming days?

Jeremiah 2:4-13

⁴ Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel.

⁵ Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me and went after worthless things and became worthless themselves? ⁶ They did not say, "Where is the Lord,

who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"

⁷ I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination.

⁸ The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit.

⁹ Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children.

¹⁰ Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look; send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.

Has a nation changed its gods,even though they are no gods?But my people have changed their gloryfor something that does not profit.

¹² Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked; be utterly desolate, says the Lord,

¹³ for my people have committed two evils:

they have forsaken me,

the fountain of living water,

and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns

that can hold no water.