



Adult and Teen Life Groups Conferencing Guide

SERMON DATE: 05/6/2018
DISCUSSION DATE: 05/13/2018
TEXT: JEREMIAH 2:1-13

The Only Satisfaction for Thirsty Souls

It is futile to try to find hope or life in things other than God.

I. ISRAEL'S DEMISE

- A. A formerly faithful people who had become unfaithful (vss. 1-3)

- B. A people who had departed from God (vss. 4-8)

- C. A people charged by God (vss. 9-12)

- D. A people who committed two great evils (vs. 13)
 - 1. Israel had forsaken God: the Fountain of Living Water.

 - 2. Israel sought satisfaction in things other than God.

II. IS ISRAEL'S DEMISE YOURS?

III. GOD'S INVITATION (Isaiah 55:1-3)

ASKING GOD FOR WISDOM TO APPLY TO OUR DAILY LIVES



1. What facts can be established about the life of Jeremiah from the following passages: 1:1, 1:5, 1:6, 1:9-12, II Chronicles 35:25?
2. What trials did Jeremiah experience according to the following passages: 16:1-4, 11:18-21, 12:6, 18:18, 20:1-3, 37:11-16, 9:1, 20:9?
3. How had God shown himself faithful to His people in the passage?
4. How had the people previously shown themselves devoted to God?
5. Read chapter 2 through chapter 3 verse 5. What was the twofold condemnation of Judah?
6. In chapter 2 verses 1-7, what does God want his people to remember?
7. According to verse 8, what was the reason for God's judgement on the nation?
8. What types of imagery and poetic language did Jeremiah use in verses 1-20? What kind of imagery or metaphors would you use to describe your relationship with God and our culture's "relationship" with God?
9. What imagery does God use to describe His relationship with us?
10. What types of things do people (even Christians) try to find hope or "life" in that seem to promise it but only leave them thirsting for more?
11. What did the people put in the place of God? (See chapter 2 verses 11, 27 and 28) What kinds of things do we tend to put in our lives that move God out of His rightful place?
12. According to Genesis 12:1-3, what are the promises of the Abrahamic Covenant? What conditions were put on the promises in Exodus 19:5-6? In Hosea 4:6, what was the consequence when the people rejected God?
13. What is the Lord likened to in Jer. 17:8, Psalm 36:9, and John 4:4? What happens when we try to create substitutes for that?
14. How did God judge His people when they turned away from Him?
15. In Revelation 2, what was the condemnation of the Church of Ephesus? What kinds of things can cause a Christian to drift away from their devotion to the Lord? What was the church admonished to do? Specifically what should one do today to demonstrate that they have repented of their lack of devotion to God?