

Walk in the Right Path

(Daniel Israel – 7.3.22)

I. We are committing spiritual adultery.

Jeremiah 3:1

1 God says, “If a husband divorces his wife And she leaves him And becomes another man’s wife, Will he return to her again? Would that land not be completely defiled? But you are a prostitute with many lovers; Yet you turn to Me,” declares the LORD.

II. Return, says the Lord!

Jeremiah 3:11, 12

And the LORD said to me, “Faithless Israel has proved herself to be more righteous than treacherous Judah.

12Go and proclaim these words toward the north and say, ‘Return, faithless Israel,’ declares the LORD; ‘I will not [h]look at you in anger. For I am gracious,’ declares the LORD; ‘I will not be angry forever.

III. God’s promise to His people.

Jeremiah 3:15-18

15“Then I will give you shepherds [k]after My own heart, who will feed you knowledge and understanding.

16And it shall be in those days when you become numerous and are fruitful in the land,” declares the LORD, “they will no longer say, ‘The ark of the covenant of the LORD.’ And it will not come to mind, nor will they remember it, nor miss it, nor will it be made again.

17At that time they will call Jerusalem ‘The Throne of the LORD,’ and all the nations will assemble at it, at Jerusalem, for the name of the LORD; and they will no longer follow the stubbornness of their evil heart.

18In those days the house of Judah will walk with the house of Israel, and they will come together from the land of the north to the land that I gave your fathers as an inheritance.

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IV. Need inner change!

Jeremiah 4:4

4“Circumcise yourselves to the LORD. And remove the foreskins of your hearts, Men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem, Or else My wrath will spread like fire And burn with no one to quench it, Because of the evil of your deeds.”

Jeremiah 4:14

14 Wash your heart from evil, Jerusalem, So that you may be saved. How long will your wicked thoughts Lodge within you?

V. Vision of Jeremiah

Jeremiah 4:19

19 My soul, my soul! I am in anguish! Oh, my heart!

My heart is pounding in me;

I cannot keep silent,

Because, my soul, you have heard
The sound of the trumpet,

The alarm of war.

VI. No one righteous, not one!

Jeremiah 5:1

“Roam about through the streets of Jerusalem And look and take notice. And seek in her public squares, If you can find a person, If there is one who does justice, who seeks honesty, Then I will forgive her.

Jeremiah 5:7-8

7“Why should I forgive you?

Your sons have forsaken Me

And sworn by those who are not gods.

When I had fed them to the full,

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They committed adultery

And stayed at the prostitute's house.

8 "They were well-fed lusty horses,

Each one neighing at his neighbor's wife.

VII. Trusting in false prophecy?

Jeremiah 5:11-13

11 "For the house of Israel and the house of Judah Have dealt very treacherously with Me," declares the LORD.

12 They have lied about the LORD

And said, "Not He; Misfortune will not come upon us, Nor will we see sword or famine.

13 "The prophets are as wind, And the word is not in them So it will be done to them !"

Jeremiah 5:14

14 Therefore, this is what the LORD, the God of armies says:

"Because you have spoken this word,

Behold, I am making My words fire in your mouth, And this people wood, and it will consume them

VIII. Judah refuses to walk

in the right path!

Jeremiah 6:10

10 To whom shall I speak and give warning,

That they may hear?

Behold, their ears are closed

And they cannot listen.

Behold, the word of the LORD has become for them a rebuke.

They take no delight in it.

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Jeremiah 6:16

Stand by the roads and look, and ask for the ancient path, where the good road is, walk in it, and find rest for your souls.

But they said, 'We will not walk in it.'

Take home points -

Acknowledge, confess, and return to Him

We need inner change!

Pay attention to God's Word

Stand by the roads and look.
Ask for the ancient path,
where the good road is,
and walk in it and find rest for your souls.

Acts 2:42 Church