

LET IT ALL FALL DOWN

BUILDING OUR CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST

a study in Jeremiah

#15 Law & Order

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Sermon Outline Notes

When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

1 Corinthians 11:32

WHEN WE TRANSGRESS GOD'S Law

HE USES DISCIPLINE TO RESTORE RIGHTEOUSNESS

And Order IN OUR LIVES

"The people I love, I call to account—prod and correct and guide so that they'll live at their best. Up on your feet, then! About face! Run after God!"

Revelation 3:19 MSG

I. Jeremiah 25:1-10

⁸ Therefore the LORD Almighty says this: "Because you have not listened to my words,⁹ I will summon all the peoples of the north and my servant Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon," declares the LORD, "and I will bring them against this land and its inhabitants and against all the surrounding nations. I will completely destroy them and make them an object of horror and scorn, and an everlasting ruin.¹⁰ I will banish from them the sounds of joy and gladness, the voices of bride and bridegroom, the sound of millstones and the light of the lamp.

God uses THE CRUELTIES OF LIFE to order our lives

In this all-out match against sin, others have suffered far worse than you, to say nothing of what Jesus went through—all that bloodshed! So don't feel sorry for yourselves. Or have you forgotten how good parents treat children, and that God regards you as his children? My dear child, don't shrug off God's discipline, but don't be crushed by it either. It's the child he loves that he disciplines; the child he embraces, he also corrects.

Hebrews 12:4-6 MSG

II. Jeremiah 25:11-14

¹¹ This whole country will become a desolate wasteland, and these nations will serve the king of Babylon seventy years. ¹² “But when the seventy years are fulfilled, I will punish the king of Babylon and his nation, the land of the Babylonians for their guilt,” declares the LORD, “and will make it desolate forever.

God uses THE PASSAGE OF TIME to order our lives

But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:8-9

III. Jeremiah 25:15-38

¹⁵ This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, said to me: “Take from my hand this cup filled with the wine of my wrath and make all the nations to whom I send you drink it. ¹⁶ When they drink it, they will stagger and go mad because of the sword I will send among them.”

God uses ANY MEANS NECESSARY to order our lives

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. ⁴⁰ On reaching the place, he said to them, “Pray that you will not fall into temptation.” ⁴¹ He withdrew about a stone’s throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, ⁴² “Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.” ⁴³ An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. ⁴⁴ And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. Luke 22:39-43