

# LET IT ALL FALL DOWN

**BUILDING OUR CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST**

*a study in jeremiah*

## #3 “Family Heritage”

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### Sermon Outline Notes

*Now we live with great expectation,<sup>4</sup> and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay.*  
*1 Peter 1:3b–4 NLT*

### **God has a Heritage and Lifestyle HE WANTS TO CELEBRATE WITH HIS FAMILY.**

#### **I. Jeremiah 3:1-10 (NLT)**

**<sup>1</sup> “If a man divorces a woman and she goes and marries someone else, he will not take her back again, for that would surely corrupt the land. But you have prostituted yourself with many lovers, so why are you trying to come back to me?” says the Lord....<sup>5</sup> Surely you won’t be angry forever! Surely you can forget about it!’ So you talk, but you keep on doing all the evil you can.”...<sup>8</sup> She(Judah) saw that I divorced faithless Israel because of her adultery. But that treacherous sister Judah had no fear, and now she, too, has left me and given herself to prostitution....Judah has never sincerely returned to me. She has only pretended to be sorry. I, the Lord, have spoken!”**

#### **We Celebrate God’s Heritage BY PURSUING HIS LEGACY**

#### **INSTEAD OF OUR OWN.**

*Some people, by always continuing to do good, live for God’s glory, for honor, and for life that has no end. God will give them life forever.<sup>8</sup> But other people are selfish. They refuse to follow truth and, instead, follow evil. God will give them his punishment and anger.*  
*Romans 2:7-8 CEV*

#### **II. Jeremiah 3:11-14 (NLT)**

**...<sup>12</sup> Therefore, go and give this message to Israel. This is what the Lord says: “O Israel, my faithless people, come home to me again, for I am merciful. I will not be angry with you forever.<sup>13</sup> Only acknowledge your guilt. Admit that you rebelled against the Lord your God and committed adultery against him by worshiping idols under every green tree. Confess that you refused to listen to my voice. I, the Lord, have spoken!<sup>14</sup> “Return home, you wayward children,” says the Lord, “for I am your master....**

## **We Celebrate God's Heritage when we REPENT AND RETURN HOME.**

*"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! <sup>20</sup> "Look at me. I stand at the door. I knock. If you hear me call and open the door, I'll come right in and sit down to supper with you. Revelation 3:19–20 MSG*

### **III. Jeremiah 3:15 (NLT)**

<sup>15</sup> **And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will guide you with knowledge and understanding.**

## **We Celebrate God's Heritage when we ACCEPT HIS LEADERSHIP AND THEN LEAD OTHERS.**

*Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; <sup>3</sup> not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. 1 Peter 5:2–3*

### **IV. Jeremiah 3:16-4:2 (NLT)**

<sup>16</sup> **"And when your land is once more filled with people," says the Lord, "you will no longer wish for 'the good old days' when you possessed the Ark of the Lord's Covenant...<sup>17</sup> In that day Jerusalem will be known as 'The Throne of the Lord.' All nations will come there to honor the Lord. They will no longer stubbornly follow their own evil desires....<sup>22</sup> "My wayward children," says the Lord, "come back to me, and I will heal your wayward hearts." "Yes, we're coming," the people reply, "for you are the Lord our God....Only in the Lord our God will Israel ever find salvation....<sup>25</sup> Let us now lie down in shame and cover ourselves with dishonor, for we and our ancestors have sinned against the Lord our God....<sup>4:1</sup> "O Israel," says the Lord, "if you wanted to return to me, you could. You could throw away your detestable idols and stray away no more. <sup>2</sup> Then when you swear by my name, saying, 'As surely as the Lord lives,' you could do so with truth, justice, and righteousness. Then you would be a blessing to the nations of the world, and all people would come and praise my name."**

## **We Celebrate God's Heritage by LEADING AUTHENTIC, PEACE AND LOVE FILLED LIVES**

*People who do not believe are living all around you and might say that you are doing wrong. Live such good lives that they will see the good things you do and will give glory to God on the day when Christ comes again. 1 Peter 2:12 NCV*