# Jeremiah 15:15-21 Grace and Purpose

#### Jeremiah 15:15-18

<sup>15</sup> You who know, O Lord, Remember me, take notice of me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. Do not, in view of Your patience, take me away; know that for Your sake I endure reproach.

<sup>16</sup> Your words were found and I ate them, and Your words became for me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I have been called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts.

#### Jeremiah 15:15-18

<sup>17</sup> I did not sit in the circle of merrymakers, nor did I exult. Because of Your hand upon me I sat alone, for You filled me with indignation.

<sup>18</sup> Why has my pain been perpetual and my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will You indeed be to me like a deceptive stream with water that is unreliable?

## **Grace and Purpose**

- I. Life with God requires consistent prayer
- II. Prayer requires us to be honest with God

#### Jeremiah 15:19-21

- <sup>19</sup> Therefore, thus says the Lord, "If you return, then I will restore you—Before Me you will stand; And if you extract the precious from the worthless, you will become My spokesman. They for their part may turn to you, but as for you, you must not turn to them.
- <sup>20</sup> "Then I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; And though they fight against you, they will not prevail over you; For I am with you to save you and deliver you," declares the Lord.

#### Jeremiah 15:19-21

<sup>21</sup> "So I will deliver you from the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem you from the grasp of the violent."

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III. God is always right where he's supposed to be, even when we're not

#### **Jeremiah 1:18-19**

<sup>18</sup> Now behold, I have made you today as a fortified city and as a pillar of iron and as walls of bronze against the whole land, to the kings of Judah, to its princes, to its priests and to the people of the land.

<sup>19</sup> They will fight against you, but they will not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you," declares the Lord.

### **Grace and Purpose**

- IV. God is always right where he's supposed to be, even when we're not
- V. IV. God's promises are good and sure, and we need to hear them again and again