



A Few of My Favorite Things: “Weeping Prophet”

If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. Jeremiah 20:9 ESV

The Weeping Prophet

- ? Why is Jeremiah called “the weeping prophet?”
- ? At times, it can be very difficult, even frustrating, to serve the Lord. When have you experienced these emotions in your walk with God and why?
- ? What does it mean to be “defined by God?”

Your feelings are fleeting. God’s Word is foundational

- ? Why is it sometimes wrong to follow your heart?
- ? How can one tell if it’s your own heart speaking or the Lord’s heart in you? And before you quickly answer, look at the Word of God duh! Many (did I say many?) people justify their actions by using the Word to justify their hearts.
- ? How can this dangerous pitfall be prevented?

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, “Violence and destruction!” For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. Jeremiah 20:7-8

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35-39

- 1. Your Feelings do not define you.**
 - ? Since the devil masquerades as an angel of light; when have you been deceived and when were you able to discern the lie? What made the difference?
- 2. Your flask is unbreakable.**
 - Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-9.
 - ? Where have you experienced affliction in every way, but not been crushed?
 - ? When have you been perplexed, but not driven to despair?
 - ? How have you been persecuted, but not forsaken?
 - ? When have you been struck down, but not destroyed?
- 3. Your Faith impacts eternity.**
 - Read Romans 8:35-39
 - ? How would our life dramatically change if we truly embraced this text? Why do we still hesitate?