

Exiles:

Living in a
Post-Christian
America

Week Four

WHEN MINISTRY GETS TOUGH

Jeremiah complains to God about the state of his nation and the spiritual apathy the people have. Ministry is a tough endeavor in this life. What do you do when it gets tough? What can we learn from Jeremiah?

Ice Breaker:

1. What is the hardest thing you have ever done?
2. Did you ever feel like giving up?
3. If you were able to finish it, what or who helped you make it?
4. Tell of a difficult time doing a ministry for the Lord.

Bible Study:

- 1) Read Jeremiah 11:6-8. Why does God say the Israelites did not obey Him?
- 2) Read Exodus 19:5, 6 and Duet. 5:1-10? What responsibility does God give Israel in the covenant?
- 3) What do they do instead? (**11:9-10**)

- 4) Who is angry because of the message of Jeremiah (11:21) and what do they want to do?
- 5) Read 12:1-3. What is Jeremiah upset about?
- 6) What does God respond he is doing to deal with the problem? (12:14-17)
- 7) Ultimately, what is the root of Judah's sin problem? (13:9-10, 22, 25; 15:6, 7)

Care Time:

1. What evil action in the world do you hate the most? What is the root of that problem?
2. What area of your life do you continually try to "play God"?
3. What steps do you need to take to remove the pride from this area of your life?
4. Who do you know that is in need of biblical community? What steps can you take to include them?

Gospel Community

Our desire as a new church community is to live out what we profess in a way that brings glory to the Lord. The very essence of God's people is that we are on a mission to follow Jesus where we live and to carry out His continuing work on the earth

Rhythms (Our Practices)

- Community
- Family
- Truth
- Authenticity
- Communication
- Service

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