

FEIGNEDLY

JEREMIAH 3

Text: Jeremiah 3:10

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Introduction:

This message that Jeremiah preached was during the reign of Josiah a good man who made a honest effort to turn the nation back to God.

(2 Ki 22:1-2) "Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath. {2} And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left."

Read 2 Kings 23:1-30

In spite of the efforts made the revival was shallow and one that was short lived.

Shortly after the twin towers were destroyed, many began to cry out to the Lord for help. I thought that just maybe America and churches would once again return back to God, but sadly that too was shallow and short lived.

We now have politicians as well as bleeding heart liberals making statements the praising the Muslim religion, and those that follow that error.

There are even those who are ridiculed for exposing that religion and its founder as being wicked and ungodly.

Why?

1. Diagnosis (Jer. 3:10)

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Feignedly - Sham

A. Had only the look of revival.

B. The same is true today.

1. Many are disguising themselves.

- The disguise of salvation.
- The disguise of separation.
- The disguise of sincerity.
- The disguise of steadfastness
- The disguise of single mindedness

2. Deeds (Symptoms)

A. Forfeit God's blessings

(Jer 3:3) "Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed."

B. Lose sensitivity, and conviction of sin.

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C. Lose God's guidance

(Jer 3:4) "Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou art the guide of my youth?"

D. Look at sin lightly

(Jer 3:9) "And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks."

E. Justify their sinful actions and condition

(Jer 3:11) "And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah."

3. Deliverance (Jer. 3:12-25)

A. Return to the Lord (vs 12, 22,)

B. Acknowledge your iniquity (vs 13, 25)

C. Turn from our wicked ways (vs 14)

D. Listen as the Word of God is preached. (vs 15)

Close:

God help us to not feignedly or light heartedly serve,
and follow the Lord.