

Extract the Precious from the Worthless

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 be My spokesman."

Jeremiah 15:19 NASB

Spiritual Concept:

1. Jeremiah was sent by God with a message asking the people to return to Him.
2. The people were stubborn, offended and refused to return. They hated Jeremiah.
3. God said He would destroy them.
 - Vs. 5-6 "Who will feel sorry for you, Jerusalem? Who will weep for you?... You have forsaken me and turned your back on me," says the Lord. "Therefore, I will raise my clenched fists to destroy you. I am tired of always giving you another chance." NLT
4. Jeremiah complained to God about the outcome, his suffering and why it continued.
 - Vs. 18 – "Why then does my suffering continue? Why is my wound so incurable? Your help seems uncertain."
5. God responded with verse 19.

Biblical Principles:

1. God's Word will sustain you, bring you great joy and delight your heart. (vs. 16)
2. If you return, God will: restore, make you secure, protect, deliver, keep you safe, rescue.
3. You can trust God. When life is bad, He is still good!
4. Suffering is a gift. Extract the precious from it.

If you... _____ Return = _____

Then I... _____ Restore = _____

Precious: highly valued, rare, costly, excellent, influential

Worthless: pointless, useless, has no value, waste of time, no purpose

Personal Application:

1. What is your response to the call of God today? What do you need to come back from?
2. How to create a comeback: Feed on God's Word. Stop complaining. Change direction...
...And extract the precious from the worthless.

Hebrews 12: 12-13

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