

MESSAGE NOTES

“Practical Teaching for Everyday Living”

At the Crossroads Jeremiah: the Weeping Prophet Kevin T. Hardy January 23, 2022

This is what the Lord says:

“Stop at the crossroads and look around.

Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it.

Travel its path, and you will find **rest for your souls**. (Je 6:16).

1. _____ and _____

“Stop at the crossroads and look around.”

“Now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:14–15)

Elijah said, **“How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him”** (1 Kings 18:21).

“Enter through the narrow gate. For **wide is the gate and broad is the road** that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But **small is the gate and narrow the road** that leads to life, and only a few find it. (Matt. 7:13-14)

2. _____ and _____

“Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it.”

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, **who walk according to the law of the LORD**. 2 Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart. (Psalm 119:1-2)

How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. 10 I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. 11 **I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.** 12 Praise be to you, O LORD; teach me your decrees. 13 With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth. 14 I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches. 15 **I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways.** 16 **I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.** (Psalm 119:1 – 16)

3. _____ and _____

“Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls.”

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. (Matt. 11:28-29)

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU CHOOSE THE _____ ?

But you reply, **‘No, that’s not the road we want!’** (Je 6:16).

I posted watchmen over you who said,
‘Listen for the sound of the alarm.’
But you replied,
‘No! We won’t pay attention!’ (Je 6:17).

Therefore, listen to this, all you nations.
Take note of my people’s situation.

Listen, all the earth!

I will bring disaster on my people.
It is the fruit of their own schemes,
because they **refuse to listen** to me.
They have **rejected my word.** (Je 6:18–19).