

Keeping Your Focus

A sermon series called "Run With The Horses"
A Study in the Life of Jeremiah

1. **W** _____ **through the valleys.**

"For twenty-three years – from the thirteenth year of Josiah until this very day – the word of the LORD has come to me and I have spoken to you again and again, but you have not listened."

Jeremiah 25:3

2. **I** _____ **God is dangerous.**

"And though the LORD has sent all his servants the prophets to you again and again, you have not listened or paid any attention. They said, 'Turn now, each of you, from your evil ways and your evil practices, and you can stay in the land the LORD gave to you...Do not follow other gods to serve and worship them; do not provoke me to anger with what your hands have made. Then I will not harm you. But you did not listen to me,' declares the LORD."

Jeremiah 25:4-7

3. **L** _____ **with a purpose.**

"Then the word of the LORD came to me: 'This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: Like these good figs, I regard as good the exiles from Judah, who I sent away from this place to the land of the Babylonians. My eyes will watch over them for their good, and I will bring them back to this land. I will build them up and not tear them down; I will plant them and not uproot them. I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the LORD. They will be my people, and I will be their God, for they will return to me with all their heart.'"

Jeremiah 24:4-7

4. **L** _____ **for real hope.**

"I remember my affliction and my wandering, the bitterness and the gall. I well remember them, and my soul is downcast within me. Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope."

Lamentations 3:19-21