

## Sermon Notes

### *Concerns for the Family*

#### #4 – “Family Upheaval and the Purpose of God”

#### I. Introduction.

##### A. Understanding upheaval

1. Definition – S \_\_\_\_\_, V \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Some modification is necessary.
  - a. Change of any sort is often difficult.
3. Types of upheaval
  - a. Job
  - b. Church
  - c. Health
  - d. Marital
  - e. Child
  - f. Moving
  - g. Death

##### B. Upheaval can be an act of God’s grace.

1. Matthew 7:13-16
  - a. Understanding the text.
  - b. Key words.
    1. Small and narrow.
    2. Second occurrence of narrow is translated from a different word.
    3. Trials, which included upheaval, are a part of the narrow way.

#### II. Today’s study.

##### A. Noting Israel’s history

1. Unified kingdom.
2. Un-unified kingdoms
3. Destruction of both Northern and Southern Kingdoms.
4. Jeremiah’s 40 year ministry.

##### a. Jeremiah 1:2-4

5. Today’s key text – Jeremiah 48 and the Judgment on Moab.

#### B. Where did Moab come from?

1. Origin: Lot and his daughters – Genesis 19:31-38
2. Moab had a blood relationship with Moab.
  - a. Yet there is a long history of animosity (Numbers 22)

#### C. Main text – Jeremiah 48:11

1. Interpreting the text requires understanding of winemaking.
2. “Moab at ease since his youth.”
3. Undisturbed on his “lees.”
  - a. Yeast, vessel to vessel, and sweet aromatic wine as compared to bitter and sour.
4. What are the “lees”?
  - a. Sins in general, but specifically the sin of I \_\_\_\_\_ and C \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. God allowed this to happen with Moab but not Israel.
    1. Historical examples.

#### III. Application for today

##### A. Trials

1. Being emptied from one vessel to another is a part of God’s mercy.
  - a. Yet, we feel like our world is upside down.

##### B. The emptying is not a judgment.

1. It is an example of God’s grace.
2. The true “way” we entered when we became Christians.

##### C. Families in Crisis.

1. Satan tells us God does not care, but He continues His grace toward the beloved.

##### D. We do not really want to be left alone by God.

##### E. Bright sparkling wine comes from regular churning.