

# Modern Living and Vintage Values: Returning to the Basics

Jeremiah 6:16-21

## Theme Passage

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# Main Passage

Jeremiah 6:16-21 – <sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD: "Stand by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk in it.' <sup>17</sup> I set watchmen over you, saying, 'Pay attention to the sound of the trumpet!' But they said, 'We will not pay attention.' <sup>18</sup> Therefore hear, O nations, and know, O congregation, what will happen to them. <sup>19</sup> Hear, O earth; behold, I am bringing disaster upon this people, the fruit of their devices, because they have not paid attention to my words; and as for my law, they have rejected it. <sup>20</sup> What use to me is frankincense that comes from Sheba, or sweet cane from a distant land? Your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices pleasing to me. <sup>21</sup>Therefore thus says the Lord: 'Behold, I will lay before this people stumbling blocks against which they shall stumble; fathers and sons together, neighbor and friend shall perish.'"

# Big Idea – Vintage Values Vanish When Your Practice Becomes More Important than His Plan

# **Four Steps in Reclaiming Vintage Values**

# Step #1 – Stand – Vintages Values Are Reclaimed When You Stand for Truth

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# Step #2 - Look - Vintages Values Are Discovered When His Direction Becomes Your Desire

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#### Step #3 - Ask - Vintage Values Are Heard When You Prayer Penetrates the Heart

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# Step #4 – Walk – Vintages Values Are Realized When Your Walk Becomes Your Witness

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## **Memory Verse**

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# **Going Deeper**

You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your small group, (2) Participating in a Sunday School class, or (3) Study through the "Going Deeper" study guide.