

We as a society are very invested in the “new and improved”. We want things that are convenient, quick, easy, and up to date. We change things just for change, because as humans we want things that are fresh, and new, and different.

But there is a strong case that can, and should, be made for preservation of that which is. Be it traditions, or customs, or lessons of years gone by; the old paths are not bad, just because they are old. Now, in some senses I am preaching to the choir in this, right? We are a church which uses traditional music. We are a church which uses the King James Bible. We are a church which has attempted and desired, wherever we can, to stay on the old paths.

But here is the thing, the old paths aren't good just because they are old, and we must not have our loyalties to them just because they exist. And today I would like for us to take some time and to consider the link that binds us to the paths of old. And in doing so, find hope for the future in them

So we pick up today in JEREMIAH 6, where we read -->

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- God addresses this call to the “children of Benjamin”
- Benjamin was one of two tribes which became the Southern Kingdom of Judah when the nation of Israel split into North and South
- To this end we understand God to be addressing, at the least, a subset of the nation of Judah; and also, as we see it here

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