

Sermon Notes – October 6, 2018

Who Can Heal You? (*Lamentations 2*)

- I. False prophets are incapable of giving lasting comfort. (*vs. 13-14*)
 - A. They promise a false peace. (*Jeremiah 14:13-16*)
 - B. Their word is not God's Word.
 - C. Their dreams are their authority. (*Jeremiah 23:25-32*)
 - D. They are self-called and offer no lasting spiritual benefit.

- II. False friends prove to be real enemies incapable of giving lasting comfort. (*vs. 15-17*)
 - A. Fair-weather friends are only for good times. (*Lamentations 1:2b*)
 - B. Fair-weather friends often become enemies when hard times come.
 - C. Fair-weather friends often rejoice in the calamity of others.

- III. Lasting comfort only comes from the God of all comfort. (*vs. 18-22*)
 - A. Pouring out our hearts in His presence gives lasting comfort.
 - 1. Honest confession.
 - 2. True worship.
 - B. Begging for His mercy gives lasting comfort. (*Jeremiah 8:22*)
 - 1. Take notice of our pain.
 - 2. Take notice of our desperation.
 - C. Recognizing His sovereign work gives lasting comfort.
 - 1. Fearing the Lord is to love His wisdom. (*Proverbs 1:7*)
 - 2. Fearing the Lord is to hate evil. (*Proverbs 8:13*)