

Reasons to Weep
Jeremiah 13:15-17
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Thesis: I want to show the love we should have for those in sin.

Intro: 1. **2 Corinthians 2:4**

- I. The Christian Never Rejoices over the sinner (**1 Cor 13:6**)
 - A. The Christian rejoices over repentance not condemnation of the sinner (**2 Cor 7:9**)
 - 1. How could one laugh at those who will perish?
 - a. The Apostle Paul didn't rejoice, why would we today?
 - 2. How could one mock the condemned?
 - B. To rejoice over the condemned is to blaspheme God's desire for man. (**1 Tim 2:1-6**)
 - 1. God desires for man to saved.
 - 2. The Prophet Jeremiah wept over the lost condition of people (**Lam 1:12**).

II. How Does God respond to the lost?

- A. He pleaded with them?
 - 1. **Mt 7:21-23** – Christ was telling them how to get to heaven.
- B. Christ wept over the lost (**Mt 23:37-39**)
 - 1. He wept over their sinful actions (v.37)
 - 2. He mourned over the consequences (v.38)
 - 3. He warned them (v.39)

III. Lessons for Us Today

- A. We must have a deep concern for the unrepentant soul.
 - 1. Our concern moves us to deep concern.
 - 2. We mourn over their rebellion and do not rejoice.
- B. Remember Christ & Jeremiah
 - 1. Christ & Jeremiah wept over the lost.
 - 2. They set an example of the sorrow we should have over those in sin

Application & Conclusion:

- 1. The lost must have a deep remorse over their sin and we should have deep remorse over the lost (**Joel 2:12**)
- 2. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9