

Haf. Tzav

Jeremiah 7:21-8:3/9:22-23

1 Corinthians 10:6

Now these things took place **as examples** for us, that we might not desire evil as they did.

1 Corinthians 10:11

Now these things happened to them **as an example**, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.

“**LISTEN**” ⇒ *stillness/contemplation*
“**GO**” ⇒ *forward progress/change*

“*But they did not **listen**...*”

“*...they **went backward** and not forward...*”

Colossians 2:18

Let no one keep defrauding you of your prize by delighting in self-abasement and the religion of the messengers, taking his stand on visions he has seen, inflated without cause by his fleshly mind...

Jeremiah 6:16

Thus says Adonai, “Stand by the ways and see and ask for **the ancient paths**, where the good way is, and walk in it; and you shall find rest for your souls.” But they said, “We will not walk in it.”

Jeremiah 5:30-31

An appalling and horrible thing has happened in the land: the prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests rule on their own authority; and My people love it so! But what will you do at the end of it?

Jeremiah 8:8-9

How can you say, “We are wise, and the Torah of Adonai is with us”? But behold, the lying pen of the scribes has made it into a lie. The wise men are put to shame, they are dismayed and caught; behold, they have rejected the word of Adonai, and what kind of wisdom do they have?

Exodus 22:29-30

You shall not delay to offer from the fullness of your harvest and from the outflow of your presses. The firstborn of your sons you shall give to Me. You shall do the same with your oxen and with your sheep: seven days it shall be with its mother; on the eighth day you shall give it to Me.

Kindness, merely as such, cares not whether its object becomes good or bad, provided only that it escapes suffering.

If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. (Hebrews 12:8)

If God is Love, He is, by definition, something more than mere kindness. And it appears, from all the records, that though He has often rebuked us and condemned us, He has never regarded us with contempt.

 **C.S. Lewis**

Our True Human Nature

*“...which they **loved**...*

*...which they **served**...*

*...which they **followed**...*

*...which they **sought out**...*

*...which they **worshipped**.”*

**Our
Drives**

Intelligence

Strength

Wealth

**Our
Servants**

Recognizing God

Knowing God

**Our
Pursuits**

Jeremiah 9:24

“But let him who boasts boast of this,
that he understands and **knows** Me...”

שכל

(sachal)

- Genesis 3:6
- Genesis 48:14
- Joshua 1:7-8
- Proverbs 10:5

שקל

(shekel)

שגל
(Shagal)

חסד = "kindness" (*chesed*)
משפט = "judgment" (*mishpat*)
צדקה = "righteousness" (*tzedakah*)
→ "chametz"

"Beware of the *leaven* of the Pharisees, which is *hypocrisy*." (Luke 12:1)