

**“Staying Faithful When Others Falter”**  
**Jeremiah 35**

“The essential thing ‘in heaven & earth’ is...that there should be *long obedience in the same direction*; there thereby results, and has always resulted in the long run, something which has made life worth living...” (Friedrich Nietzsche)



**Why didn't Judah faithfully obey? Why don't we?**

- 1) *Failure to pay attention*
- 2) *Pull of assimilation*
- 3) *Pride*

**Qualities of faithful obedience**

- 1) *Trust and submission*
- 2) *Persistence in the face of resistance*

**Faithful obedience: what's at stake...**