No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket. Rather they put it on a lampstand that it may GIVE LIGHT to everyone in the house. (Luke 11:33)

The whole land will be utterly laid waste unless there is someone who CARES (Jeremiah 12:11)

WHO CARES

SENDING

The prophet Jeremiah (600 B.C.) was sent to preach one message. "Because of idolatry and immoral living, destruction and captivity were swiftly coming to Judah". He was sent to preach DOOM for the present but REBIRTH for the future.

"Ah, Sovereign Lord, I do not know how to speak. I am only a child." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say 'I am only a child." You must go to everyone I send you and say whatever I command you." (Jeremiah 1:6-7)

I AM SENT <u>in spite</u> <u>of</u> objections, fears, resources, or ignorance.

I AM SENT <u>to</u> wherever it pleases God ... <u>places</u> or <u>people</u>. (1:7)

I AM SENT **for** a variety of types of witness. (warning and encouragement) (1:10)

I AM SENT <u>against</u> the dark kingdom. (1:18-19)

I AM SENT with words and ideas. (1:9,17)

I AM SENT <u>under</u> the watchful care and blessing of God. (1:11-12)

This "sending" for Jeremiah is similar to many <u>other</u> Scriptures which apply to <u>all</u> God's children.

- Connecting
- Affirming
- Reaching
- Equipping
- •SENDING

It is our <u>purpose</u> to be a church group of "sent" people.

Our <u>worship</u> (together) inspires us to <u>work</u> (together)

Our <u>worship</u> (together) arouses us to <u>witness</u> (separately)

God has given to every Christian the <u>burden</u> and <u>blessing</u> of a <u>transforming truth</u>.

Only when we "speak in his name" will we **experience** the true joy of being used by God to build his kingdom.