



HAMMER ***FIRE***
AND

JEREMIAH 23:29

Jeremiah 23:29 “Is not My word like a fire?” says the LORD, “And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

Jeremiah 23:1 Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD.² Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the **pastors that feed my people**; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

Acts 20:26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men.

²⁷For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. ²⁸Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to **feed the church of God**, which he hath purchased with his own blood. ²⁹For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

1 Peter 5:2 **Feed the flock of God** which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;³ neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.⁴ And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Jeremiah 23:15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; **Behold**, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is **profaneness gone forth into all the land.**¹⁶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: **they make you vain**: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD.¹⁷ They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, no evil shall come upon you.

Jeremiah 23:19 Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD has gone forth in fury—a violent whirlwind! It will fall violently on the head of the wicked.²⁰ The anger of the LORD will not turn back until He has executed and performed the thoughts of His heart. In the latter days you will understand it perfectly.

Jeremiah 23:30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.³¹ Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith.³² Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.

—Faithful Preaching Is Like Chaff to the Wheat—

Jeremiah 23:28 “The prophet who has a dream, let him tell a dream; And he who has My word, let him speak My word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat?” says the LORD.²⁹ “Is not My word like a fire?” says the LORD, “And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

Hebrews 1:1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

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1 Thessalonians 5:12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;¹³ and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.

—Faithful Preaching of God's Word Is Like a Fire—

Jeremiah 23:29a “Is not My word like a fire?” says
the LORD,

—Faithful Preaching of God's Word Is Like a Hammer—

**Jeremiah 23:29b “And like a hammer that breaks
the rock in pieces?”**

1 Corinthians 1:18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved **it is the power of God.**

2 Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;⁴ and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.