

Intro –

1. Israel had stumbled and given up on God
2. Jer. 6:13-16 – ask for the old path
3. We have wandered far from the old path in many places today.

Discussion – (“We Need To Ask for the old...”)

### I. Guide – God’s Word

- A. Ps. 119:105, 133. - your word is a lamp unto my feet
- B. Ps. 25:4-5
- C. The Bible is the only book that tells how we got here (Gen. 1-2), our purpose (Eccl. 12:13-14), where we are going when we die.
- D. We need nothing else (creed book, manual, etc), the bible is complete and all sufficient (2 Tim. 3:16-17; Col. 2:10 – complete in him (Christ); 2 Tim. 4:2 - preach the word; 2 Pt. 1:3 – all things pertaining to life and godliness).

### II. Faith

- A. There is but one faith (Eph. 4:5; Jude 3; Phil. 1:27)
- B. The Faith = The gospel (Gal. 1:10-13, 23-24). - preaching the gospel = preaching the faith
- C. The gospel is the power to save (Rom. 1:15-16; 1 Cor. 2:2-5)
- D. We must get back to the faith of the gospel!

### III. Church

- A. There is but one (Eph. 4:4 ; Col. 1:24) --- one body, the body is the church, therefore one church
- B. Not “a”, but “the” (Acts 8:1,3; Gal. 1:13)
- C. Jesus only built only one (Matt. 16:18)
- D. Jesus is only the head of one (Eph. 1:22-23; Col. 1:18)
- E. Denominations started too late to be the church
  1. Zech. 1:16; Isaiah. 2:2-3; Lk. 24:46-47 – Jerusalem, last days ☐ Acts 2; Heb. 1:1-2 (606 AD Pope/Luther 1530)
  2. We must get back to the one true church!

**IV. Worship**

- A. Matt. 15:7-9 – vain worship
- B. John 4:24
- C. Acts 2:42 – those at Jerusalem
- D. Departures from the old path of worship
  - 1. Mechanical instruments when commanded to sing (Eph. 5:19; 9 other passages)
  - 2. Lords supper not on the first day (Ac. 20:7)
  - 3. Raising of funds contrary to NT (1 Cor. 16:2)
  - 4. Women leading worship (1 Tim. 2:12-14)
- E. We must get back to worshipping how God intended!

**V. Hope**

- A. Called in one hope of our calling (Eph. 4:4)
- B. Eph. 2:12-13 – once without hope
- C. Titus 1:1-4 – hope of eternal life
- D. Romans 5:1-8
- E. An anchor for the soul (Heb. 6:18-20)
- F. Col. 1:4-6, 19-23 – hope in the gospel, some have been moved away from the hope

**VI. Plan of Salvation**

- A. Many have forsaken the old plan of salvation, we must get back to it to have the hope of eternal life
  - 1. Hear the gospel (Rom. 10:17)
  - 2. Believe the gospel (Heb. 11:6; John 8:24)
  - 3. Repent of our sins (Luke 13:3, 5)
  - 4. Confess our faith (Acts 8:36-37; Matt. 10:32-33)
  - 5. Be Baptized for the remission of our sins (Acts 2:38; Mk. 16:16)
  - 6. Remain Faithful (walk in the Old Paths) (Rev. 2:10; 1 Cor. 15:58)
    - a. Come back through repentance and prayer (Acts 8:20-24)