

Sunday School

Return to the LORD

A study of Jeremiah 2:1-13

Our Love for the LORD Part VI-b

Jeremiah 2:1-2 The word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the LORD, "I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride, how you **followed** me in the wilderness, in a land not sown.

How you _____ me in the wilderness in a land not sown.

Halak (from the root Yalak) means _____

1. To walk, to come

Has the meaning, "coming _____ with the beloved."

2. Follow, went on continually, Continue along, go after

Nehemiah 9:12-15 By a pillar of cloud you led them in the day, and by a pillar of fire in the night to light for them the way in which they should go. ¹³You came down on Mount Sinai and spoke with them from heaven and gave them right rules and true laws, good statutes and commandments, ¹⁴and you made known to them your holy Sabbath and commanded them commandments and statutes and a law by Moses your servant. ¹⁵You gave them bread from heaven for their hunger and brought water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and you told them to go in to possess the land that you had sworn to give them.

NKJV-You went after me

NASB Your following after me.

God wants you to _____ Him.

Psalm 63 :1-3 O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Psalm 42:1 As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. ² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

3. Depart

“Departing” from the world of _____ and ordinary _____, to a higher level of spiritual intimacy.

Matthew 22:37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

4. To die

In some uses of the Qal infinitive for halak, *walking* means _____.

For example....Jesus “walked” to the cross for us.

Matthew 16:24 Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it."

Luke 14:31-33 Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple

Philippians 3:10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

God’s appeal is for His people to come _____ into the wilderness _____.

Hosea 2:14-15 "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her. ¹⁵ And there I will give her her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope. And there she shall answer as in the days of her youth, as at the time when she came out of the land of Egypt.

Revelation 2:4 But I have this against you that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

How is your Love for the LORD?