

Counterculture

Scripture: Jeremiah 35:1-19

1. Build your convictions before life tests them - vv. 1–11

2. Choose obedience before convenience - vv. 12–17

3. Leave a legacy that points others to God - vv. 18–19

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Life Group Guide

For the week of August 23, 2026

God is always teaching us through his Word, the Bible. As we read through the Old Testament in 2026, we invite you to read along in the YouVersion app through The Bible Recap reading plan. Our sermons will follow along with the readings. May God bless us as we read his Word together as a church family!

1. Jeremiah 35 is an interesting chapter, isn't it? What is your first reaction after reading it?
2. In verses 1-11 Jeremiah tests the fidelity or faithfulness of the Rechabites to the Lord. Although abstaining from wine was not a command of the Lord, their faithfulness to honoring this commitment was honorable, much like a Nazarite vow (Num. 6:2-4). Who do you know who is an example of faithfulness to God?
3. How does God use their example to teach his people (Jer. 35:12-17)?
4. What lessons do you learn from this chapter about holding fast to godly convictions in your life?

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