



Peter Thomas, Pastor | November 26, 2017

⁴ “Jeremiah, say to the people, “This is what the LORD says: “When people fall down, don’t they get up again? When they discover they’re on the wrong road, don’t they turn back?⁵ Then why do these people stay on their self-destructive path? Why do the people of Jerusalem refuse to turn back? They cling tightly to their lies and will not turn around.

Jeremiah 8:4-5 (NLT)

TURN—to change the direction or course!

Question: What area in your life or course of direction do you need to turn to make a change this morning?

Making A U-Turn Can Indicate Many Different Things:

...“seeming like **I am backtracking!**”

...“looking and feeling like **I have wasted time!**”

...“feeling like **I am starting over again!**”

...“maybe **God doesn’t want me to go** on this journey!”

Making A U-Turn Does Serve A Purpose!

³¹ “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift each of you like wheat. ³² But I have pleaded in prayer for you, Simon, that your faith should not fail. So when you have repented and turned to me again, strengthen your brothers.”

Luke 22:31-32 (NLT)

- Making a u-turn **can be a little harder** on our life than what **Lor other people may think or say!**

- The ultimate purpose for making a u-turn is to get us **heading in the right direction!**

- Each u-turn we make will never **eliminate life’s CHALLENGES!**

- U-turns have a way of **looking messy** before we can see **it getting any better!**

- Making a u-turn **can be helpful** when we **look for the good** in all of it!

⁸ I am not sorry that I sent that severe letter to you, though I was sorry at first, for I know it was painful to you for a little while. ⁹ Now I am glad I sent it, not because it hurt you, but because the pain caused you to repent and change your ways. It was the kind of sorrow God wants his people to have, so you were not harmed by us in any way. ¹⁰ For the kind of sorrow God wants us to experience leads us away from sin and results in salvation. There’s no regret for that kind of sorrow. But worldly sorrow, which lacks repentance, results in spiritual death.

2 Corinthians 7:8-10 (NLT)

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