

## One True Friend

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Jeremiah 23:1-8

Perhaps you have had a child or friend wronged. Your immediate response is it to defend your loved one. Perhaps you have been wronged. Maybe others have falsely accused you of something that hurt your reputation. In fact, it may feel like the world is against you. In those times, the one thing that can change everything is the support of just one true friend.

In Jeremiah 23, God does two important things. He starts with a warning to those who have neglected His sheep. He exposes them and declares, "I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done" (v. 2). God does not tolerate people who neglect or abuse His people.

God focuses His attention on comforting the mistreated. God gives His people a promise. Even though others may have wronged you, God will hold evil-intentions accountable. God will protect His people by sending "The LORD Our Righteous Savior," our true Friend. Not only does the Righteous Savior make things right, but He will reward your faithfulness to Him for the injustices you've come through.

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