# THE PROFITLESS EXCHANGE

## JEREMIAH 2:9-13

1. **THE LORD LAUNCHES A PROTEST WHENEVER MEN AND NATIONS EXCHANGE THE TRUE GOD FOR OTHER GODS (2:9-11a)**
   1. God Would Plead His Case With Regard To This Kind Of Exchange (2:9)
   2. God Would Have Us Know That This Kind Of Exchange Is Universally Without Precedent (2:10-11)  
      1. He Challenges People To Examine The Scenario As Far As East Is From West (2:10)
      2. He Challenges Us To Consider How Privilege, Despite Its Blessings, Also Creates The Opportunity For A Unique Kind Of Sin (2:11a)
2. **THE LORD'S PROTEST AGAINST THIS KIND OF AN EXCHANGE IS HIGHLIGHTED BY HIS EMPHASIS ON THE UNPROFITABILITY OF SUCH A RIDICULOUS TRANSACTION (2:11b-13)**
   1. A Single Description Of The Unprofitability (2:11b)  
      1. You Forsake The Thing That Was Your "Glory"
      2. You Adopt, In Its Place, A Thing Which Accrues No Interest
   2. A Threefold Description Of How We Ought To Feel About Making Such An Horrible Transaction (2:12)  
      1. We Should Be Astonished"
      2. We Should Be "Horribly Afraid"
      3. We Should Be "Very Desolate"
   3. An Illustration Of What Actually Occurs In Such Profitless Exchanges (2:13)