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Sermon – Experts Agree...

Scripture – Gen 3:4-5 , Jeremiah 6:9-21

Main Message – Forget perfection, just follow the old paths toward righteousness.

Ever hear of something novel, new, exciting, only to have it quickly squashed by the "EXPERTS?" Ever hear of something that has been around for 100s of years only to find out that the "Experts" say its bad.

Ever do online research on a product only to find out, somebody had some kinda problem sometime and now its tainted in your own mind for whatever reason – valid or not? When I'm talking about experts, I'm talking about all of us. That is the fundamental problem with us always trying to play god... little "g" that is. Now today we have the latest advent called AI. Now we no longer need to do any research. We will just ask the A.I. to give us the answer. No more thinking required. What a time saver! In Genesis, Satan, aka an expert, tempted humans with this partly true phrase in **Gen 3:5**. What the Devil said was true about us being like a god. The lie was the verse prior where Satan said, "Ye shall surely not die." The deadly trap is knowing Good and Evil places an unbearable burden on us to make perfect choices and every expert, named or unnamed thinks they have the best solution – even me. The difference is that for some, we truly want to help others. Unfortunately, though I have helped some with my knowledge, it is not perfect and any flaw, valid or not, taints the results. This is the embodiment of the curse, our original sin that binds us all together. There is no perfect answer in the physical world because of this dilemma. What scan a person do?

Turn to God and follow him. There is something our Father in Heaven told us to do. Let me read to you from **Jeremiah 6:9-21**.

We need to return to the old ways, the paths that have proven sustainable even in a fallen world. The progressive ideology of a utopian style of living will always fail because of the sin in the world, but it can be mitigated through our faith in Christ and keeping things simple and wholesome. You know what they are. Read God's law and you will know. Draw close to Him and you will know. Follow Him through the narrow gate and all will be well. After all, the only true **EXPERT** has said it.