

# “TWO SIDES OF ONE COIN”

*(Jeremiah 1:9-10)*

## INTRODUCTION:

The preacher's job:  
*comfort the afflicted & afflict the comfortable.*

### I. ONE SIDE OF THE COIN:

#### EXALTATION WITHOUT EXPECTATION

- A. Love that spoils (example – parent & child)
- B. God exalts & expects (Bible: *“Love the Lord with your whole heart & your neighbour as yourself.”*)

### II. ONE SIDE OF THE COIN:

#### INTENSITY WITHOUT CONSISTENCY

- A. “Honeymoon love” will not last (example: newly married couple)
- B. Inconsistency breeds lack of trust
- C. God's love is consistent (Bible: *“Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today & forever.”*)



### III. ONE SIDE OF THE COIN:

#### PRAISE WITHOUT CORRECTION

- A. Love is not enough; limits are needed (example: parent & child)
- B. Discipline is an expression of love  
(Bible: *“The Lord disciplines those whom He loves.”*)  
+ My boyhood friend *“My parents never loved (disciplined) me.”*

### IV. GOD'S TWO SIDED COIN:

#### WELL BALANCED LOVE (Jeremiah 1:9-10)

- A. **The Law:** correction, discipline, judgement  
– because of our sin & rebellion
- B. **The Gospel:** mercy, guidance, forgiveness  
– because of His love for us

CONCLUSION: *A fishing story --*

***God's two kinds of love . . . Law & Gospel***