

**Message Summary:** We are in the midst of a series of pandemics. We began 2020 with the coronavirus pandemic. Then we had the death of George Floyd, which led to a racial pandemic, and that was followed by the economic and political pandemics, which still plague us to this moment. In every direction we look, there is chaos, conflict and instability. The question is, why are these problems happening? Second Chronicles 15:3 gives us three reasons.

## **When God Brings Problems on a Nation** **“Hard Times are a Merciful Call to Repent”** **2 Chronicles 15:3-7**

**The question is, why did God bring these problems? 2 Chronicles 15:3 gives us three reasons.**

**#1 - First reason for the problems is Israel “was without the true God”.** It does not say there was no God. It says there was no *true* God.

**#2 - Second reason for the problems is Israel was “without a priest to teach them”.** There were plenty of priests, but they were not communicating divine truth.

**#3 - Third reason for the problems is Israel was “without the law.”** People made up their own rules.

### **LifeGroup Questions – All LifeGroups begin the week of September 13<sup>th</sup>**

**BEGIN IT (5min)** – Time spent in praise and opening prayer.

**OPEN IT (10min)** – What gives you a sense of security?

**EXPLORE IT (60min)** – Read 2 Chronicles 15:3-7 and review Sunday’s sermon outline together as a group. Stop at each point allowing people to share their additional comments or notes taken while listening to the sermon. Now answer these questions:

1. What Biblical truth gives you the most encouragement and hope?
2. What problems or troubles currently threaten your sense of security?

**APPLY IT (15min)** – What did God reveal to you in the sermon or among your discussion group? How will you apply this new understanding to your life?