

## **EVENING WORSHIP**

**15 May 2016**

Text: **Jeremiah 16**

Title: **“O Lord, my strength and my fortress”**

### **THE CHALLENGE TO JEREMIAH**

1. To speak as God had commanded
2. To be strong
3. To stand up against the people of the land

### **THE PROBLEMS FACED IN MINISTRY**

1. Not strong
2. Overwhelmed
3. Weaknesses revealed
  - a) Weeping (Jeremiah 9:1)
  - b) Worn out (Jeremiah 12:5)
  - c) Despairing (Jeremiah 15:10)

### **THE LESSONS THAT HAD TO BE LEARNED**

*“O Lord, my strength and my fortress, my refuge in the day of affliction” (Jeremiah 16:19)*

1. Our human strength is not enough
  - a) Limited
  - b) Lacking
2. God can be our strength
3. God can be our fortress
4. God can be our refuge

## **THE STEPS TO BE TAKEN**

1. To return to God
2. To not rely on our human efforts
3. To find in God
  - a) Strength
  - b) Assurance
  - c) Hope