Jeremiah & Lamentations

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Bible Book Outline

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Prophecies concerning Judah Jeremiah 1:1-45:5

I. The Lord calls and commissions Jeremiah Jeremiah 1:1-19

A. Jeremiah is called and commissioned by the Lord Jeremiah 1:1-10

This call came to Jeremiah, a priest from Anathoth

This call came from the Lord

Jeremiah had been formed by God in the womb Jeremiah said that he could not speak

This call was empowered by the Lord

Jeremiah was told to speak what God commanded Jeremiah was told that the Lord would be with him Jeremiah had his mouth touched by the Lord Jeremiah was told how he would speak

B. Jeremiah is given signs to confirm his call Jeremiah 1:11-19

The Lord gave the sign of an almond tree

The Lord gave the sign of a boiling pot

the boiling pot was a sign of judgment from the north the boiling pot pictured an army coming against Jerusalem the boiling pot would bring judgment for sin

The Lord told Jeremiah to speak without fear

II. The Lord says Judah is guilty of willful sin Jeremiah 2:1-3:5

A. Judah is reminded of their past days of blessing Jeremiah 2:1-7

Judah had shown love to God in the past

Judah was holiness to the Lord

Judah had been led by the Lord

Judah had been given a land of blessing

Judah had turned against God

B. Judah is reminded of how they have forsaken the Lord Jeremiah 2:8-37

1. God would continue to plead with His people who had forsaken Him Jeremiah 2:8-13

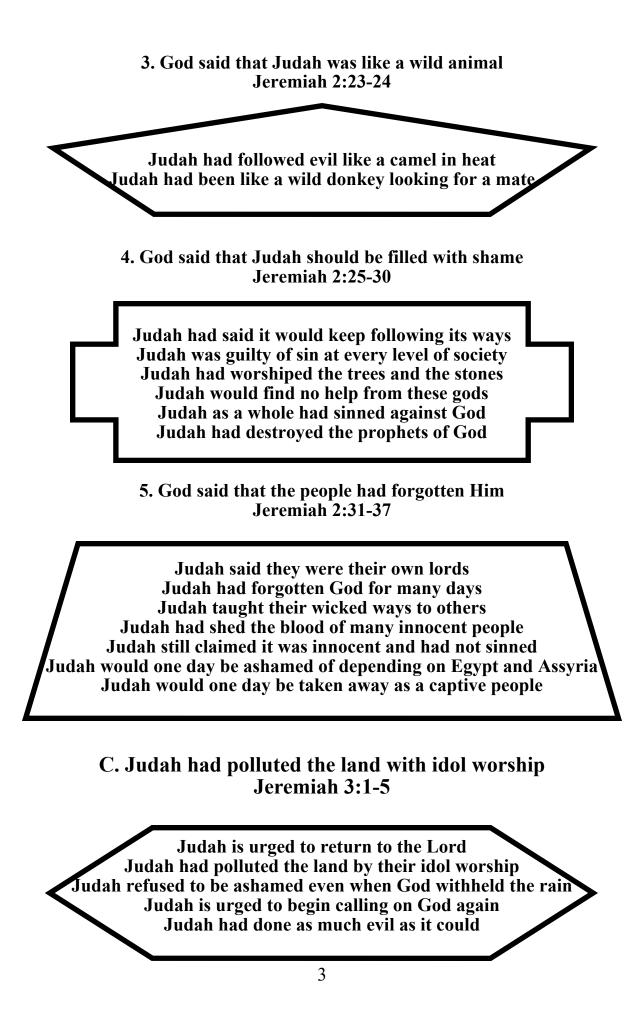
> they had forsaken the fountain of living waters they had turned to broken cisterns that hold no water

2. God said Judah would be judged by it's own wickedness Jeremiah 2:14-19

the land had been destroyed the people had forsaken the Lord the people had looked to other nations the people would be corrected by their own wickedness

> 3. God said that Judah was marked by iniquity Jeremiah 2:20-22

the people were worshiping idols on every hill the people could not be cleaned with soap or even with lye



III. The Lord promises to discipline Judah until they repent Jeremiah 3:6-6:30

A. Judah is reminded of the backsliding of Israel Jeremiah 3:6-11

Israel had worshiped idols on every mountain Israel had not returned to God Israel had been like an unfaithful prostitute Israel had polluted the land with idols Israel had been the example Judah followed Israel had justified her backsliding

> B. Judah is given a call to repent Jeremiah 3:12-25

1. this call was to be given to both Israel and Judah Jeremiah 3:12-19

God said that He is a merciful God God called the people to acknowledge their sin God called the people to turn back to Him God promised to give them faithful shepherds God said that He would then multiply the people God said that Jerusalem would then be the throne of the Lord God said that Israel and Judah would become one again God said the people would then call Him, My Father

2. this call was to the people who had forgotten the Lord Jeremiah 3:20-25

the people had been like an unfaithful wife the people had perverted their way and forgotten God the people are called to return to the Lord the people were told that God is the source of salvation the people were covered with shame the people were experiencing shame and confusion

C. Judah is warned of coming invasion Jeremiah 4:1-31

1. God calls the people to return to Him Jeremiah 4:1-2

the people are exhorted to put away their evil the people are exhorted to turn back to the Lord

2. God calls the people to change their heart attitudes Jeremiah 4:3-18

the call of God to the people

the people are called to break up their hardened hearts the people are called to cut away the sin of their hearts the people are warned of coming destruction the people will put on sackcloth but will not repent the people will perish in their hearts

the response of Jeremiah to this judgment

Jeremiah had thought the people were being deceived Jeremiah heard the judgment would come like a dry wind Jeremiah called Jerusalem to wash its heart from wickedness Jeremiah heard that judgment would come from a far nation Jeremiah would see Judah judged for her rebellion

> 3. God tells the people why judgment will come Jeremiah 4:19-31

the people would soon hear the sound of war the people had no understanding of good the people would seen the land become empty the people would see God carry out His purpose the people would see the cities forsaken the people would be destroyed by false lovers the people would be repaid for their murders

D. Judah is given reasons for coming judgment Jeremiah 5:1-31

1. the people were not speaking the truth Jeremiah 5:1-6

they were not speaking the truth they refused to receive correction they did not know the way of the Lord

2. the people were committing adultery Jeremiah 5:7-9

the men were going to the prostitutes the men were going to their neighbors' wives the men would be punished for their sin

3. the people would have a nation from afar come against them Jeremiah 5:10-18

they would be destroyed and taken captive they had deceived themselves by their words they would be destroyed by a nation from afar they would have their possessions taken by the enemy they would not be completely destroyed

4. the people had a defiant and rebellious heart Jeremiah 5:19-24

they would ask the question why these things were happening they would neither understand or hear they had a rebellious and defiant heart

> 5. the people used deceit to gain riches Jeremiah 5:25-29

they were setting traps to deceive and catch others they were not helping the fatherless and the needy

6. the people chose to follow false religious leaders Jeremiah 5:30-31

E. Judah is promised that Jerusalem will be destroyed Jeremiah 6:1-30

1. the people were warned that Jerusalem would be destroyed Jeremiah 6:1-5

the Lord said disaster would come from the north the Lord said the enemy would surround the city the Lord said the enemy would prepare war against the city

2. the people were told that Jerusalem was full of wickedness Jeremiah 6:6-8

> Jerusalem was a city filled with wickedness Jerusalem was warned to listen or be judged

3. the people would experience great judgment Jeremiah 6:9-17

they would be completely destroyed they would have both people and possessions taken they would experience no peace they would all be ashamed and fall they would not return to the ways of God they would not listen to the messengers of God

4. the people would be treated with cruelty Jeremiah 6:18-25

they were not obeying the law of God they would have a cruel nation come against them they would be without strength

5. the people would have their actions tested by God Jeremiah 6:26-30

they were told to repent of their evil they would be tested like men test metals they would have their evil works burned away they would still be like metal that is rejected

IV. The Lord tells of the empty religion of Judah Jeremiah 7:1-10:25

A. Judah was told to change their actions Jeremiah 7:1-15

1. Jeremiah calls to the people to change their ways Jeremiah 7:1-7

the Lord called Jeremiah to stand and speak to the people 1-2 Jeremiah was given instructions by the Lord Jeremiah was told to speak in the temple the Lord told Jeremiah to tell the people to amend their ways 3-6 the people were warned to amend their ways the people were warned against lying the were warned to do what was right the people were warned to turn from their evil the Lord promised blessing for obedience

2. Jeremiah warns the people of judgment if they do not repent Jeremiah 7:8-15

the people had made the temple a den of thieves 8-11 the people were trusting lying words the people were walking after other gods the people were then coming to the temple the people had made the temple a den of thieves the people were told to remember what happened to Shiloh 12-15 Shiloh was were the tabernacle was first placed Shiloh was the place where they first did evil Shiloh was judged by the Lord Shiloh was an example of how God would judge again

B. Judah was actually worshipping false gods Jeremiah 7:16-31

1. The Lord promised to pour out His anger Jeremiah 7:16-20

Jeremiah was told not to pray for the people Jeremiah was told to observe what the people were doing Jeremiah was told the people were worshipping the queen of heaven Jeremiah was told the people provoked themselves to their shame Jeremiah was told the Lord would pour out His anger

> 2. The Lord said the people had not obeyed His voice Jeremiah 7:21-28

the people were focusing on burnt offerings and sacrifices the people had not been told to offer those sacrifices the people had been told to obey God the people had followed their own evil hearts the people had not listened to God's prophets the people had stiffened their necks the people would not listen to Jeremiah the people refused to receive correction

3. The Lord said the people had polluted His temple Jeremiah 7:29-31

the Lord said He had forsaken that generation the Lord said the people had polluted the temple the Lord said they had built altars to idols the Lord said they were offering their children as sacrifices

Judah was following the same evil ways of Israel!

C. Judah would become a desolate land Jeremiah 7:32-8:3

God said Judah would become desolate Jeremiah 7:32-34

God said the people would be treated like garbage Jeremiah 8:1-3

D. Judah would experience the judgment of God Jeremiah 8:4-22

> 1. God said Judah refused to repent Jeremiah 8:4-7

the people were continually backsliding the people did not repent or prepare for judgment

2. God said the people did not even feel shame Jeremiah 8:8-12

> the people had rejected the Lord the people would lose everything the people did not feel shame for sin

3. God said that judgment would certainly come Jeremiah 8:13-17

the people would lose what they had received the people would drink the water of bitterness the people would see their land devoured the people would be bitten by snakes

4. God said there was no healing for Judah Jeremiah 8:18-22

the people had provoked God with idols the people had not turned to God for salvation the people would experience no recovery from their sin

E. Judah was bringing great sorrow to Jeremiah Jeremiah 9:1-26

1. Jeremiah was experiencing great sorrow Jeremiah 9:1-6

Jeremiah had great sorrow for his people Jeremiah wanted to get away from their sin Jeremiah saw them becoming more evil Jeremiah saw that there was no trust Jeremiah saw that they were deceiving each other Jeremiah saw that they refused to know God

2. Jeremiah heard the land would become desolate Jeremiah 9:7-11

the people would experience the Lord's refining the people were deceiving their neighbors the people would be punished for their sin the people would see the land destroyed the people would see Jerusalem destroyed

3. Jeremiah heard that the people would be scattered Jeremiah 9:12-16

the people had forsaken God's law the people had followed the Baals the people would be scattered among the Gentiles

4. Jeremiah heard the land would be filled with wailing Jeremiah 9:17-22

the people would mourn because they were ashamed the people would mourn because men would be killed

5. Jeremiah was told the people were uncircumcised in heart Jeremiah 9:23-26

the Lord invited the people to seek Him the Lord said the people were uncircumcised in heart

F. Judah was following lifeless idols Jeremiah 10:1-18

1. the Lord said that idols are helpless Jeremiah 10:1-5

the Gentiles worship the sun, moon and stars the Gentiles make gods of wood and metal the Gentiles have idols which can do nothing

2. the Lord said that idols do not compare with Him Jeremiah 10:6-10

God is the One who is great God is the One to whom nothing can compare God said that idols are the works of men God is the everlasting King

3. the Lord is the Creator of all Jeremiah 10:11-18

God made the earth by His power God created all things by His Word God says those who make idols will be put to shame God told the people to gather their things God said the people would experience distress

G. Judah caused Jeremiah to pray to God Jeremiah 10:19-25

the people would have their land plundered the people would have their children taken away the people would be scattered and taken captive the people would have an enemy come from the north

the response of Jeremiah: Jeremiah asked the Lord to correct him with justice Jeremiah asked the Lord to judge the Gentiles

The Lord warns of the consequences of breaking the covenant Jeremiah 11:1-13:27

A. Jeremiah warned Judah about breaking the covenant Jeremiah 11:1-17

> 1. the people had disobeyed the covenant of God Jeremiah 11:1-10

God told Jeremiah to speak to the people of Jerusalem God told Jeremiah that disobedience brings a curse God had promised to be with the people if they obeyed God told Jeremiah to call the people to obey God's Word God said that the people had followed evil instead God said the people had followed other gods

2. the people were told that God would bring judgment on them Jeremiah 11:11-17

God said that judgment was determined for Judah God said their gods would not save them from trouble God said that the people were offering incense to Baal God told Jeremiah not to pray for the people God said that their sacrifices meant nothing God said that He had planted them as a good tree God said that they were now bringing judgment on themselves

B. Jeremiah gave a prophecy against the men of Anathoth Jeremiah 11:18-23

Jeremiah was shown that the people were plotting against him Jeremiah had not known about their plot against him Jeremiah was going to leave it to the Lord to judge Jeremiah had been threatened by the men of Anathroth Jeremiah heard that the Lord would punish them Jeremiah heard that the Lord would destroy them

C. Jeremiah prayed to God about the sin of Judah Jeremiah 12:1-13

1. the Lord was asked why the wicked are allowed to prosper Jeremiah 12:1-6

Jeremiah felt free to question God Jeremiah saw the hypocrisy of the people Jeremiah said that the Lord knew his heart Jeremiah asked how long the land would suffer from evil Jeremiah was told it would get even worse Jeremiah was told his own family would oppose him

2. the Lord used Jeremiah to describe the destruction of Judah Jeremiah 12:7-13

Judah would be delivered to her enemies Judah had become like a lion in the forest Judah had become like one surrounded by vultures Judah would be destroyed by many nations Judah would become a desolate land Judah would be destroyed by the plunderers Judah would reap the harvest of her sin

D. Jeremiah received an answer from God Jeremiah 12:14-17

God would destroy the evil neighbors of Judah God would show future compassion to Judah God promised restoration for repentance God promised destruction for rejection

E. Jeremiah gave a visual illustration to Judah of it's sin Jeremiah 13:1-27

1. the Lord used Jeremiah's belt as an illustration Jeremiah 13:1-11

Jeremiah was told to buy and wear a linen belt Jeremiah was told to bury the belt by the Euphrates Jeremiah was told to dig up the belt that was buried Jeremiah was told the belt pictured the pride of Judah Jeremiah were told the people had become like the belt Jeremiah was reminded that the people would not hear

2. the Lord told Jeremiah what to tell the people of Judah Jeremiah 13:12-14

the people thought they had plenty of wine the people would be controlled by drunkenness the people would be destroyed without mercy

3. the Lord the Lord told Jeremiah that Judah would be taken captive Jeremiah 13:15-23

Jeremiah was to tell the people not to be proud Jeremiah was to tell the people to give glory to God Jeremiah would weep when the people were taken captive Jeremiah was to tell the king and his mother to humble themselves Jeremiah was to tell the people they would be taken captive Jeremiah said the enemy would come from the north Jeremiah said Judah would be like a woman with labor pains Jeremiah said this would happen because of their great sin Jeremiah said they were unable to change their evil ways

4. the Lord said this would happen because Judah had forgotten Him Jeremiah 13:24-27

> God would scatter the people for their sin God said that the people had forgotten Him God said that He would expose their shame God had seen their unfaithfulness with idols

VI. The Lord warns of coming drought

A. Jeremiah warned that Judah was going to have a drought Jeremiah 14:1-6

the Lord said that a drought was coming the Lord said that there would be mourning in Judah the Lord said that they would find no water the Lord said that they would receive no rain the Lord said the animals would leave their young the Lord said there would be no grass for the animals

B. Jeremiah prayed with great sorrow for Judah Jeremiah 14:7-22

> 1. the Lord heard the concern of Jeremiah Jeremiah 14:7-9

Jeremiah confessed the sins of Judah Jeremiah realized the Lord was the only Savior Jeremiah asked the Lord not to leave them

2. the Lord told Jeremiah not to pray for the good of the people Jeremiah 14:10-12

Jeremiah said He would remember the sin of Judah Jeremiah was told not to pray for the good of the people Jeremiah was told that the people would be consumed

3. the Lord said the prophets were speaking falsely in His name Jeremiah 14:13-16

Jeremiah said the prophets were speaking falsely Jeremiah heard that the prophets had not been sent by God Jeremiah heard that the false prophets would be consumed Jeremiah heard that there would be none to bury them 4. the Lord was asked if He had totally rejected Judah Jeremiah 14:17-22

Jeremiah was filled with sorrow for his people Jeremiah saw suffering wherever he went Jeremiah asked if God had totally rejected Judah Jeremiah confessed the sins of the people Jeremiah asked the Lord to remember His covenant Jeremiah recognized God as the Creator of all things

C. Jeremiah was told that judgment would certainly come Jeremiah 15:1-9

> 1. the Lord said that judgment would certainly come Jeremiah 15:1-2

God said that there were none who could pray for them God said that all the people would be judged

2. the Lord said that He would bring four forms of destruction Jeremiah 15:3-4

God said that He would appoint four forms of destruction God said destruction would come because of idolatry under Manasseh

3. the Lord said that the judgment would affect all of the people Jeremiah 15:5-8

God said there would be none to show pity to Jerusalem God said He would no longer hold back judgment God said He would destroy His people God said that He would bring death and destruction

4. the Lord said that some would be destroyed by the sword Jeremiah 15:9

VII. The Lord recommissioned Jeremiah Jeremiah 15:10-16:9

A. Jeremiah felt God was not hearing him Jeremiah 15:10-18

1. Jeremiah was sorry he had even been born Jeremiah 15:10-11

he felt that everyone was against him he heard the Lord would save a remnant

2. Jeremiah heard that all would be judged Jeremiah 15:12-14

he heard that iron (Judah) would not withstand northern iron (Babylon) he heard that their wealth would be taken by others he heard that they would be taken captive to another country

> 3. Jeremiah expressed his feelings to the Lord Jeremiah 15:15-18

he asked the Lord to take vengeance on his persecutors he had focused on the Word of God he refused to join those who mocked he questioned God about his continual pain

4. Jeremiah was given a new commission by the Lord Jeremiah 15:19-21

the Lord told Jeremiah he was to stand before God

the Lord told Jeremiah that He would protect him

the Lord told Jeremiah that He would redeem him

C. Jeremiah was given certain restrictions Jeremiah 16:1-9

1. Jeremiah was not to have a family Jeremiah 16:1-4

the Lord came and spoke to Jeremiah the Lord told Jeremiah not to have a family the Lord said the people would die gruesome deaths the Lord said the people would become food for the birds

> 2. Jeremiah was not to go to the house of mourning Jeremiah 15:5-7

> the Lord said He had taken peace from the people

the Lord said there would be none to mourn

the Lord said there would be none to comfort

3. Jeremiah was not to go to the house of feasting Jeremiah 16:8-9

the Lord told Jeremiah he was not to feast

the Lord said all feasting would end



"Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts."

VIII. The Lord tells about the sins of Judah Jeremiah 16:10-17:27

A. Judah is reminded how they have forsaken God Jeremiah 16:10-21

1. the people would question why they were being judged Jeremiah 16:10-13

God said the people felt they had not sinned God said the people had forsaken Him and followed idols God said the people followed the evil imaginations of their hearts God said He would take them to a land they did not know

2. the people would no longer experience the blessing of the Lord Jeremiah 16:14-15

the people had been brought out of Egypt in the past the people would be brought from all lands in the future

> 3. the people would be hunted in every place Jeremiah 16:16-18

the Lord would allow enemies to search for them the Lord knew the sins of the people the Lord would pay them for their evil

4. the people had a different attitude than Jeremiah Jeremiah 16:19-21

Jeremiah was depending on the Lord for his strength Jeremiah was not depending on those false gods Jeremiah heard that the people would one day know God

B. Judah had a problem with a deceitful heart Jeremiah 17:1-18

1. the Lord said that Judah was controlled by a sinful heart Jeremiah 17:1-4

the people had their sin written in their hearts the people were worshiping their idols the people would have their idols taken as plunder the people would one day serve their enemies

2. the Lord said contrasts trusting man and trusting the Lord Jeremiah 17:5-8

those who trust in man will be cursed those who trust in man will be like a plant in the desert those who trust in God will blessed those who trust in God will be like a tree by the river

3. the Lord is the One who searches the heart Jeremiah 17:9-11

the heart is deceitful and very wicked the heart is what the Lord searches the heart can cause a person to become a fool

4. the Lord is the One who is the source of hope Jeremiah 17:12-14

He is the One who sits on a high throne He is the One who gives hope He is the One who heals and saves

5. the Lord heard the prayer of Jeremiah Jeremiah 17:15-18

Jeremiah asked the Lord to speak Jeremiah was a shepherd who followed the Lord Jeremiah looked to the Lord in hope Jeremiah looked to the Lord to judge His enemies

C. Judah was told to honor the sabbath Jeremiah 17:19-27

Jeremiah told the people the Lord wanted them to honor the sabbath Jeremiah saw that the people did not obey the message of the Lord Jeremiah was told to help the people understand their choice Obedience Blessing Disobedience Judgment

IX.

The Lord says He is the potter who made Judah Jeremiah 18:1-23

A. Jeremiah learns at the house of the potter Jeremiah 18:1-10

the illustration of the potter the Lord sent Jeremiah to the house of the potter the Lord allowed Jeremiah to see a pot marred and remade the Lord said He could remake Judah The Lord said He would remake Judah when it repented

the warning of judgment

the Lord was planning evil for Judah the Lord heard the people would follow their own plans the Lord said they had made a very terrible choice

B. Jeremiah was to tell Judah that judgment was coming Jeremiah 18:11-23

The warning of the Lord the Lord said the people had forgotten Him the Lord said He would make the land desolate the Lord said He would scatter the people The response of the people Jeremiah heard the people were plotting against him Jeremiah told the Lord about their plan Jeremiah asked the Lord to judge the people for their sin

X. The Lord says that Judah is like a broken pot Jeremiah 19:1-20:18

A. Jeremiah was to break the pot in the sight of the leaders Jeremiah 19:1-15

> 1. the Lord gave Jeremiah a visual message for Judah Jeremiah 19:1-5

Jeremiah was to take a clay pot and the leaders of Judah Jeremiah was to take the leaders to the valley of the son of Himmon Jeremiah was to say that the Lord would bring evil on that place Jeremiah was to remind the leaders of their sins of idol worship Jeremiah was to remind the people of their human sacrifices

2. the Lord told Jeremiah what the judgment would be like Jeremiah 19:6-9

that valley would become the Valley of Slaughter Valley of Topheth - fireplace Valley of Himmon - Heb. (Gehenna - Gk.) - place of fire (used twelve times in the NT for the place of eternal judgment) the people would be defeated by their enemies they city of Jerusalem would be destroyed the people would eat their own children

3. the Lord told Jeremiah to break the clay pot as a sign to the leaders Jeremiah 19:10-15

God told Jeremiah to break the pot in the sight of the leaders God told Jeremiah the people and city would be broken God said He would make the city like a fireplace God said He would defile the houses where idols were worshipped God sent Jeremiah back to speak in the court of the temple God used Jeremiah to warn all the people of judgment

B. Jeremiah was persecuted by Pashhur Jeremiah 20:1-6

Pashhur heard what Jeremiah had said Pashhur punished Jeremiah by putting him in stocks Pashhur was given a new name by God (Magor-missabib means "Terror on every side") Pashhur heard that Jerusalem would be destroyed by Babylon Pashhur heard that Jerusalem would have its wealth taken to Babylon Pashhur himself would be taken to Babylon and die there

C. Jeremiah complained to the Lord Jeremiah 20:7-18

the complaint of Jeremiah to the Lord Jeremiah 20:7-9

Jeremiah said that he had been deceived by God Jeremiah said that he suffered when he spoke for God Jeremiah said he was no longer going to speak for God Jeremiah 20:9 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But *his word* was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not *stay*. (KJV)

> the call of Jeremiah for vengeance Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah felt that everyone was against him Jeremiah realized that the Lord was with him Jeremiah asked the Lord to take vengeance Jeremiah sang praise for the Lord's deliverance

the complaint about Jeremiah because he had been born Jeremiah 20:14-18

Jeremiah asked the Lord to curse the day he was born Jeremiah asked the Lord to curse the one who brought news of his birth Jeremiah asked that the one who brought the news would be overthrown Jeremiah wished he had been killed on the day of his birth Jeremiah felt that his life was a life of labor and sorrow

XI. The Lord gave a message of judgment to the kings Jeremiah 21:1-23:8

A. Jeremiah was given a message about Zedekiah Jeremiah 21:1-14

> Jeremiah was asked to inquire of the Lord Jeremiah 21:1-2

Zedekiah sent Pashhur to ask Jeremiah to pray to God Zedekiah wanted the Lord to chase away the Babylonians

Jeremiah said that the Lord would fight against Judah Jeremiah 21:3-7

Zedekiah was sent a message from the Lord Zedekiah was told that the Lord would fight for Babylon Zedekiah was told the Lord would fight against Zedekiah Zedekiah was told the people of the city would be destroyed Zedekiah was told that most of the people would be killed

Jeremiah said that surrender was the way to survive Jeremiah 21:8-10

the Lord gave the people a choice the Lord said the people could surrender and live the Lord promised to destroy the city

Jeremiah said the king would reap what he had sown Jeremiah 21:11-14

the king was told to listen to what the Lord had to say to him the king was told that the Lord knew the evil the king was doing the king was told that the Lord was against him the king was told that the Lord would punish him

B. Jeremiah was to warn Zedekiah that Jerusalem would fall Jeremiah 22:1-9

the Lord told Jeremiah to go speak to the king personally the Lord promised mercy if the king did justice the Lord promised judgment if the king did not listen the Lord said the nations would talk about the judgment of Judah

C. Jeremiah was given a message about Shallum (Jehoahaz) Jeremiah 22:10-12

Shallum would be taken away from his native country Shallum would see his native country no more

D. Jeremiah was given a message about Jehoiakim Jeremiah 22:13-19

Jehoiakim had build his house by unrighteousness Jehoiakim had not followed the example of his father Jehoiakim had his eyes filled with covetousness Jehoiakim would have none to mourn for him Jehoiakim would have his body dumped outside of Jerusalem

E. Jeremiah was given a message about Coniah (Jeconiah) Jeremiah 22:20-30

Jerusalem would have its cedars from Lebanon destroyed Jerusalem had refused to obey the voice of the Lord Jerusalem would be taken into captivity Jerusalem would experience great pain like childbirth

Coniah would be taken out of Jerusalem Coniah would be taken to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar Coniah would not return to Jerusalem Coniah would be like a rejected and broken idol Coniah would have his judgment proclaimed throughout the earth Coniah would not have any descendents sit on the throne of David

F. Jeremiah was given a message about the true king (Messiah) Jeremiah 23:1-8

1. Reasons for the judgment of the false shepherds of Judah Jeremiah 23:1-2

> the leaders had destroyed the flock the leaders had scattered the flock the leaders had driven the flock away the leaders had not visited the flock

2. Results when the Lord regathers His flock under true shepherds Jeremiah 23:3-4

> the remnant will be regathered from all countries the remnant will be brought to their fold the remnant will be fruitful and increase the remnant will have shepherds that feed them the remnant will no longer have fear the remnant will no longer be dismayed the remnant will no longer be lacking

> 3. Righteousness will prevail when the Lord rules Jeremiah 23:5-8

The Lord will be the Righteous Branch out of David The Lord will be a King who will reign and prosper The Lord will rule with justice and righteousness The Lord will regather both Judah and Israel

The Lord will be called , "THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS"

the people will forget their deliverance from Egypt the people will remember their deliverance from the nations the people will dwell in their own land once more

The Lord will one day rule His chosen nation in Israel!

XII. The Lord gave a message about the false prophets Jeremiah 23:9-40

A. the false prophets brought great sorrow because of their lies Jeremiah 23:9-17

Jeremiah was broken in heart as he saw the sins of the people Jeremiah said that both the prophets and the priests were profane Jeremiah said that the prophets were encouraging the evildoers Jeremiah warned that the false prophets would be judged

> B. the false prophets had not been sent by the Lord Jeremiah 23:18-24

the Lord told the people not to listen to the false prophets the Lord would bring violent judgment on the wicked the Lord would carry out His anger against sin the Lord had not sent these false prophets

C. the false prophets did not have dreams from the Lord Jeremiah 23:25-29

the Lord is present in both heaven and earth the Lord heard the words of the false prophets the Lord said these prophets were deceiving themselves the Lord called for prophets who would speak faithfully the Lord said that their word would have power

D. the false prophets would be judged by the Lord Jeremiah 23:30-40

the Lord said He was against the false prophets for the following reasons: the prophets were stealing their words the prophets were claiming to speak for God the prophets were speaking false dreams the Lord said He would punish the prophets for perverting His words the Lord told them not to claim to speak for Him the Lord said He would forsake these false prophets the Lord said He would bring shame on these false prophets

XIII. The Lord gave a message about coming captivity

A. the people would be taken to Babylon Jeremiah 24:1-10

1. the illustration of the two baskets of figs Jeremiah 24:1-3

the Lord had allowed many people to be taken away captive the Lord showed Jeremiah two baskets of figs (one was very good and the other was very bad)

> 2. the explanation about the two baskets of figs Jeremiah 24:4-10

the Lord said the good figs pictured those who were taken away the Lord said He would bless them and build them up the Lord said they would turn to the Lord and know Him the Lord said the bad figs pictured those left in the land the Lord said those left in the land would be destroyed

B. the people would spend seventy years in Babylon Jeremiah 25:1-11

1. Jeremiah reviewed his previous ministry with the people Jeremiah 25:1-7

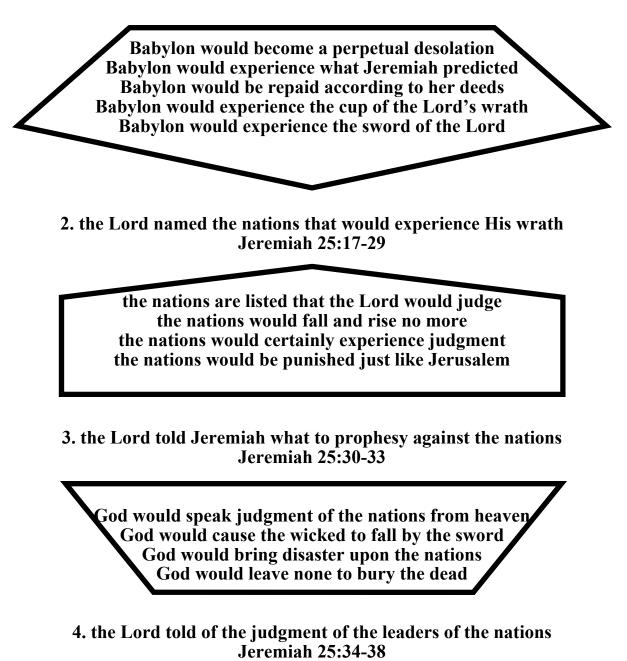
the Lord had spoken through Jeremiah for 23 years the Lord had also spoken through many other prophets the Lord had told them to repent of their evil works the Lord told them to turn away from other gods the Lord said the people had not listened to Him

2. Jeremiah reported the results of their rejection Jeremiah 25:8-11

the Lord would bring Babylon against them to destroy them the Lord would take all joy and happiness from the land the Lord would make the land empty for 70 years

C. the people would see the nations judged Jeremiah 25:12-38

1. the Lord said He would pour out His wrath on the nations Jeremiah 25:12-16



the leaders were promised that they would fall the leaders were told that they would not escape the leaders were told that they would cry in sorrow the leaders and their houses would be cut down the leaders and their lands would become desolate

XIV.

The Lord told about the reaction to the ministry of Jeremiah

A. Jeremiah warned of coming judgment Jeremiah 26:1-7

the Lord told Jeremiah to speak to all the people the Lord told Jeremiah to tell them to turn from their evil way the Lord said that judgment would come if they did not listen the Lord said the temple would become like Shiloh (the glory of the Lord departed from Shiloh - I Samuel 3:21-4:22) the Lord said that the city would become a curse

B. Jeremiah was rejected by the religious leaders Jeremiah 26:8-9

the priests and the prophets led in condemning Jeremiah the priests and the prophets were joined by the people

C. Jeremiah was protected by the princes Jeremiah 26:10-24

the princes came to see what was going on Jeremiah 26:10-15 Jeremiah and the princes met at the gate of the temple Jeremiah encouraged the princes and people to turn to the Lord Jeremiah said that he had been sent to speak by the Lord

the princes said that Jeremiah did not deserve death Jeremiah 26:16-19

the people were told Jeremiah did not deserve to die the people were reminded of the message of Micah the people were reminded of the response of Hezekiah

the princes were not able to protect Urijah Jeremiah 26:20-24 Urijah also prophesied against the city of Jerusalem Urijah became fearful and fled to Egypt Urijah was brought back from Egypt and killed Urijah died but Jeremiah was protected

XV. The Lord told the people to submit to Nebuchadnezzar Jeremiah 27:1-29:32

A. Jeremiah used yokes as a sign to Judah Jeremiah 27:1-22

1. the Lord gave Jeremiah a message for the nations Jeremiah 27:1-11

Jeremiah made yokes for the messengers from the nations Jeremiah told the messengers to take a message to their masters Jeremiah told the messengers to speak for the true Creator Jeremiah said that the Lord had given their lands to Nebuchadnezzar Jeremiah said that they should submit to the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar Jeremiah said that they should not listen to their false prophets Jeremiah said that those who served Nebuchadnezzar would live

2. the Lord gave Jeremiah a message for the king of Judah Jeremiah 27:12-15

Zedekiah was told to serve Nebuchadnezzar and live Zedekiah was told that his other option was death Zedekiah was told not to listen to the false prophets Zedekiah heard that the false prophets were lying

3. the Lord gave Jeremiah a message for the priests Jeremiah 27:16-22

the priests were told not to listen to the false prophets the priests were told to serve the king of Babylon the priests heard that true prophets pray to the Lord the priests were instructed about the vessels that remained the priests were reminded that these vessels has been left the priests were told what the Lord had now said the priests were told the vessels would go to Babylon the priests were told the Lord would one day bring them back

B. Jeremiah was opposed by Hananiah, the false prophet Jeremiah 28:1-17

1. Hananiah came and spoke to Jeremiah in the temple Jeremiah 28:1-4

this message was given in the presence of all the people this message was that God had broken the yoke of Babylon this message promised restoration of the vessels in two years this message promised restoration of the people in two years

2. Hananiah was given an answer by Jeremiah Jeremiah 28:5-9

Jeremiah also spoke in the presence of all the people Jeremiah said let it happen as you have spoken Jeremiah then said this is what will really happen Jeremiah said the former prophets had warned of judgment Jeremiah said Hananiah must have his word fulfilled to be recognized

> 3. Hananiah made a false prediction about freedom Jeremiah 28:10-11

Jeremiah had the yoke taken off his neck by Hananiah Jeremiah and the people were promised freedom in two years

4. Hananiah was told by Jeremiah that he would die Jeremiah 28:12-17

Jeremiah was given another message by the Lord Jeremiah was told to take a new message to Hananiah Jeremiah was to also review his former message Jeremiah was to tell Hananiah his words were a lie Jeremiah was to tell Hananiah he would be judged Jeremiah saw Hananiah die the same month

C. Jeremiah gave a message to the Jews already in captivity Jeremiah 29:1-32

1. those in captivity had a letter sent to them by Jeremiah Jeremiah 29:1-3

> this letter was sent to the elders in captivity this letter was carried by the hand of Elasah

2. those in captivity were told to build houses for 70 years of captivity Jeremiah 29:4-14

the people were to prepare for life in captivity the people were to pray for peace for the people of Babylon the people were told not to listen to false prophets the people were told the Lord would return them after 70 years the people were told the Lord had thoughts of peace for them the people were told to seek the Lord and they would find Him

3. those in captivity were told what would happen to those in Jerusalem Jeremiah 29:15-20

the people were listening to false prophets in Babylon the people were told that judgment would come on those in Jerusalem the people were told how Jerusalem would be judged the people were told this judgment was for failure to obey the Lord

4. those in captivity were told of coming judgment to two false prophets Jeremiah 29:21-23

the people heard two false prophets would be killed by the king the people would realize these prophets were like Ahab

5. those in captivity were told Shemaiah was a false prophet Jeremiah 29:24-32

Shemaiah had sent a false prophecy to the people in Jerusalem Shemaiah told Zephaniah he was to be the high priest in Jerusalem Shemaiah said to rebuke Jeremiah for predicting 70 years of captivity Shemaiah was causing the people in captivity to believe a lie Shemaiah would be judged for teaching rebellion

XVI. The Lord promised future restoration to Judah Jeremiah 30:1-33:26

A. Israel would experience great trouble Jeremiah 30:1-17

1. the Lord promised the people would one day return Jeremiah 30:1-11

Israel and Judah are both promised restoration Israel and Judah would first experience the time of Jacob's trouble Israel and Judah will then have their yoke of bondage broken Israel and Judah will then serve the Lord and have a king again Israel and Judah will be brought back from their captivity Israel and Judah will be saved after being punished

2. the Lord said the people must first experience affliction Jeremiah 30:12-17

Judah had an incurable wound that could not be healed Judah had no one to plead her cause Judah had been forgotten by her lovers Judah had an incurable wound because of sin Judah would see her enemies punished by the Lord Judah would have her health restored by the Lord

B. Israel would be delivered in the last days Jeremiah 30:18-24

the Lord promises that He will have mercy the Lord promises to multiply His people the Lord will establish His people and protect them the Lord will give them godly leadership the Lord will call them His people and be their God the Lord will destroy the wicked the Lord will perform the intents of His heart

C. Israel would have sorrow replaced with joy Jeremiah 31:1-26

1. the Lord has loved Israel with an everlasting love Jeremiah 31:1-9

this love will be shown by God to His people this love will cause God to build Israel again this love will cause the people to praise God this love will cause Israel to walk in the straight way

> 2. the Lord will replace sorrow with joy Jeremiah 31:10-14

the people will be regathered by the Lord the people will be redeemed by the Lord the people will have their sorrow taken away the people will be filled with joy by the Lord the people will be satisfied with God's goodness

> 3. the Lord will again give them hope Jeremiah 31:15-17

the people had been filled with sorrow the people would have their sorrow taken away the people would again have hope

4. the Lord says that Israel will be ashamed of their sin Jeremiah 31:18-21

the people will ask to be restored to the Lord the people will be ashamed of their past the people will then experience mercy the people will be turned again to the Lord

5. the Lord will bring peace to His people Jeremiah 31:22-26

the people will see the Lord do a new thing in the earth the people will experience justice and holiness the people will be refreshed and renewed

D. Israel was promised a new covenant Jeremiah 31:27-40

1. the Lord will replant the nation of Israel Jeremiah 31:27-30

Israel will be replanted as a nation Israel will be rebuilt by the Lord Israel had eaten sour grapes in the past Israel will surely pay for her own sin

2. the Lord will make a new covenant with Israel Jeremiah 31:31-34

Israel and Judah will receive a new covenant Israel will no longer be under the external law Israel will have the law of God in their hearts Israel will see all its people know the Lord Israel will have their sins remembered no more

3. the Lord will will certainly keep His promises Jeremiah 31:35-37

these promises are from the Creator of all these promises are as sure as that creation these promises are beyond man's measure

4. the Lord will restore the city of Jerusalem Jeremiah 31:38-40

the city of Jerusalem will be rebuilt the city of Jerusalem will again be surveyed the city of Jerusalem will never again be destroyed

The Old Covenant and the New Covenant contrasted

The Old Covenant	The New Covenant
revealed man's sin	reveals God's righteousness
separated man from God	brings man to God
resulted in death	produces eternal life

F. Israel was given a symbol of hope by Jeremiah Jeremiah 32:1-44

1. Jeremiah was put in prison by Zedekiah Jeremiah 32:1-5

Zedekiah put Jeremiah in prison because he did not like his prophecy Zedekiah had been told that he would be defeated and taken to Babylon

> 2. Jeremiah bought the field of Hanamel Jeremiah 32:6-15

the field was offered to Jeremiah for purchase (Anathroth had already been conquered by the Babylonians) the field was bought by Jeremiah and he received the deed the field was a symbol that God would restore Israel one day

> 3. Jeremiah prayed and the Lord answered Jeremiah 32:16-44

> the Lord had told Jeremiah to buy the field Jeremiah 32:16-25

Jeremiah's prayer recognized the greatness of God Jeremiah's prayer recognized the power of God shown to Israel Jeremiah's prayer recognized the immediate judgment of Israel

> 4. the Lord told Jeremiah why He was judging Israel Jeremiah 32:26-35

Israel would be defeated by Babylon Israel was being judged for its idol worship

5. the Lord promised to regather Israel Jeremiah 32:36-44

Israel would be regathered from all countries Israel would one day have a heart for God Israel would have an everlasting covenant with God Israel would experience the blessing of the Lord Israel would one day occupy the land again

F. Israel was told the kingdom of David would be restored Jeremiah 33:1-26

1. the Lord promised to restore the nation of Israel Jeremiah 33:1-8

God spoke to to Jeremiah while he was in prison God said He is the one who establishes covenants God told Jeremiah He would show him great and mighty things God said the present kings would be thrown down God said the present judgment was because of wickedness God said He would again bring health to the people of Israel God said He would rebuild Judah and Israel again God said that He would cleanse and pardon their sin

2. the Lord promised to again fill Jerusalem and the land with joy Jeremiah 33:9-14

God would one day restore joy and gladness God would one day cause the land to be filled with people God would one day cause the land to be filled with flocks God would one day perform the good things promised

3. the Lord promised to restore the kingdom to the family of David Jeremiah 33:15-18

God said He would cause the "Branch of righteousness" to grow up God said that Judah and Jerusalem would dwell in safety God said that the throne of David would last forever God said that He would establish the priests

4. the Lord promised that His covenant would not be broken Jeremiah 33:19-26

God said this covenant was unbreakable by man God said His covenant with David was secure God said He would multiply the house of David God said the nations did not recognize His covenant God said He is the one who made the covenant with the day God said He is the one who made the covenant with David God said He would cause Israel to return from captivity

XVII. The Lord told what would happen before Jerusalem fell Jeremiah 34:1-38:28

A. Jeremiah gave a message to Zedekiah Jeremiah 34:1-7

this message came while Jerusalem was under attack this message was that Zedekiah would be taken to Babylon this message said that he would die there in peace this message was delivered to Zedekiah by Jeremiah

B. Jeremiah gave a message to the people Jeremiah 34:8-22

1. the Lord gave a message to the people Jeremiah 34:8-11

the people were to receive a message about liberty the people were told to set free their servants the people obeyed and set free their servants the people brought their servants into subjection again

2. the Lord told the people the results of their disobedience Jeremiah 34:12-22

the people were reminded of the covenant God made in the wilderness the people were to free their servants after six years the people had obeyed at first when God spoke to them the people had then turned and broken that covenant

God now told the people the results of their choice

the people would be free to experience the Lord's judgment the people had made an everlasting covenant with God the princes and priests had made an everlasting covenant the people would now be given into the hands of their enemy the people would see their king and princes conquered the people would see their city destroyed with fire

C. Jeremiah gave a message to the Rechabites Jeremiah 35:1-19

1. the Lord sent Jeremiah to the Rechabites Jeremiah 35:1-11

the Rechabites were descendents of Moses father-in-law (Judges 1:16, I Chronicles 2:55) the Rechabites were given a message by Jeremiah the Rechabites were offered wine by Jeremiah the Rechabites said they would drink no wine the Rechabites said they would not build houses the Rechabites were also teaching their children the Rechabites were obeying the words of their father the Rechabites provided an example of obedience the Rechabites had come to Jerusalem for protection

2. the Lord used the Rechabites as an example to Judah Jeremiah 35:12-17

Jeremiah was to encourage Judah to receive instruction Jeremiah was to tell about the example of the Rechabites Jeremiah was to remind Judah of the prophets of God Jeremiah was to contrast Judah with the Rechabites Jeremiah was to pronounce judgment on Judah

3. the Lord rewarded the Rechabites for their faithfulness Jeremiah 35:18-19

the Rechabites were honored for their obedience the Rechabites were told that they would stand before God forever

Lessons from the Rechabites

the Rechabites demonstrated obedience to parents the Rechabites did not want to fog their minds with alcohol the Rechabites remind us that we are just temporary in this world the Rechabites were also faithful in teaching their children

D. Jeremiah had his scroll burned by Jehoiakim Jeremiah 36:1-32

1. Baruch read what Jeremiah had written in the temple Jeremiah 36:1-10

Jeremiah was told to write all that God had spoken against Judah Jeremiah was to remind the people of the evil coming to them Jeremiah called Baruch to write the scroll for him Jeremiah sent Baruch to read the scroll in the temple Jeremiah was giving the people an opportunity to repent Jeremiah saw Baruch go and read all that was written Jeremiah had Baruch read the scroll at the time of the fast Jeremiah had the scroll read so all the people could hear

2. Baruch read what Jeremiah had written to the princes Jeremiah 36:11-19

the message of the scroll was heard by Micaiah the message of the scroll was reported to the princes the message was read to the princes by Baruch the message caused the princes to have great fear the message and its writing were carefully explained

3. Baruch saw the scroll taken to be read to the king Jeremiah 36:20-26

the king heard about the message of the scroll the king had the scroll read in his hearing the king burned the scroll as each section was read the king and his servants did not fear or repent the king ordered Baruch and Jeremiah arrested

4. Baruch was called to write the scroll a second time Jeremiah 36:27-32

Jeremiah called Baruch to write a second scroll Jeremiah told Baruch that Babylon would destroy Judah Jeremiah said that the king and his servants would be killed Jeremiah had Baruch add additional words to the message

E. Jeremiah was put in prison by Zedekiah Jeremiah 37:1-21

1. King Zedekiah sent men to ask Jeremiah to pray for them Jeremiah 37:1-5

Zedekiah became the king instead of his brother Zedekiah and the people would not listen to Jeremiah Zedekiah did ask Jeremiah to pray for Judah Zedekiah had not yet imprisoned Jeremiah Zedekiah saw Pharoah cause the Babylonians to leave

2. King Zedekiah was sent a message of judgment Jeremiah 37:6-10

Jeremiah was given another message by the Lord Jeremiah said that Pharoah would return to Egypt Jeremiah said the Babylon would come again to fight Jeremiah told the people to stop deceiving themselves Jeremiah said Babylon would burn Jerusalem

3. King Zedekiah allowed Jeremiah to be put in prison Jeremiah 37:11-15

Jeremiah saw the fear of the Babylonians Jeremiah went to leave the city of Jerusalem Jeremiah was accused by the guard of the city Jeremiah said that the charges were false Jeremiah was put in prison by the princes

4. King Zedekiah called for Jeremiah secretly after many days Jeremiah 37:16-21

Jeremiah was placed in the dungeon of the prison Jeremiah was called secretly by the king Jeremiah asked what he had done to offend the king Jeremiah told the king to ask his false prophets Jeremiah asked not to be returned to Jonathan Jeremiah was placed in the court of the prison instead

F. Jeremiah was released from the pit Jeremiah 38:1-13

1. the king allowed Jeremiah to be put in the pit of the dungeon Jeremiah 38:1-6

Jeremiah said that those who surrender would live Jeremiah said that Babylon would destroy Jerusalem Jeremiah had a death plot against him by the princes Jeremiah was cast into the pit in the dungeon

2. the king had Jeremiah taken out of the pit of the dungeon Jeremiah 38:7-13

Ebedmelech spoke to the king for Jeremiah Ebedmelech was sent to take Jeremiah out of the dungeon Ebedmelech pulled Jeremiah out of the mire

G. Jeremiah gave Zedekiah a final opportunity to repent Jeremiah 38:14-28

1. Zedekiah called Jeremiah to speak secretly with him Jeremiah 38:14-23

Jeremiah was asked by the king to give a straight answer Jeremiah was promised that he would not be put to death Jeremiah told the king he could choose Babylon or choose death Jeremiah heard that the king was afraid he might be abused Jeremiah told the king to surrender and he would not be abused Jeremiah said the king had a choice to surrender and live Jeremiah said the family would suffer if he did not surrender Jeremiah told the king that he would not escape

2. Zedekiah told Jeremiah not to tell anyone what he had said Jeremiah 38:24-28

Jeremiah was told not to tell what he had said to the king Jeremiah was to tell that he presented his request to the king Jeremiah was questioned by all of the princes Jeremiah was returned to the court of the prison

XVIII. The Lord tells about the fall of Jerusalem Jeremiah 39:1-18

A. Nebuchadnezzar captured the city of Jerusalem Jeremiah 39:1-10

1. Babylon captured the city of Jerusalem Jeremiah 39:1-3

2. Babylon captured the king of Judah Jeremiah 39:4-7

Zedekiah tried to flee from the Babylonians Zedekiah was captured by the Babylonians Zedekiah had his sons killed by the Babylonians Zedekiah was bound in chains and taken to Babylon

3. Babylon destroyed the walls of Jerusalem Jeremiah 39:8-10

Babylon captured Jerusalem and took the people as captives Babylon left the poor of the people in the land of Judah

B. Nebuchadnezzar showed concern for Jeremiah Jeremiah 39:11-18

1. God caused Nebuchadnezzar to show kindness to Jeremiah Jeremiah 39:11-14

Jeremiah was shown kindness by Nebuchadnezzar Jeremiah was set free from the prison

2. God showed kindness to Ebedmelech because He trusted God Jeremiah 39:15-18

Ebedmelech had a message from God Ebedmelech heard that he would be delivered from the Babylonians Ebedmelech had this happen because he trusted God

XIX. The Lord tells what happened after the fall of Jerusalem Jeremiah 40:1-45:5

A. Jeremiah was left by Babylon in Jerusalem Jeremiah 40:1-16

1. Gedeliah was governor when Jeremiah was set free Jeremiah 40:1-6

Jeremiah was released by the captain at Ramah Jeremiah was reminded that God had pronounced evil on Judah Jeremiah was reminded that all this happened because of sin Jeremiah was given a choice of where he wanted to live Jeremiah was encouraged to go to live near Gedeliah Jeremiah went and lived close to Gedeliah

2. Gedeliah saw Jews return from many different areas Jeremiah 40:7-12

the men in the army heard that Gedeliah was appointed governor the men in the army came to Gedeliah at Mizpah the men in the army promised to serve the Babylonians the men in the army were told to resume a normal life the men in the army provided an example for other Jews the men in the army were joined by other Jewish refugees

> 3. Gedeliah heard about a plot to take his life Jeremiah 40:13-16

Johanan came to Gedeliah at Mizpah Johanan warned Gedeliah about Ishmael Johanan offered to go and kill Ishmael Johanan was accused of speaking falsely

Submit and live or **Rebell and Die** This was the choice that faced those still in Judah!

B. Jeremiah saw the ruler placed by Babylon killed Jeremiah 41:1-18

1. Ishmael killed the governor of Judah Jeremiah 41:1-3

Gedeliah had a meal with Ishmael at Mizpeh Gedeliah was killed by Ishmael at Mizpeh Gedeliah's other leaders were also killed

2. Ishmael killed other people as well Jeremiah 41:4-10

some Jews did not know that Ishmael had killed Gedeliah some Jews came to bring offerings to the Lord some Jews were deceived by Ishmael some Jews were killed by Ishmael some Jews managed to save themselves some Jews had their bodies thrown into a pit some Jews were taken as captives by Ishmael

> 3. Ishmael was defeated by Johanan Jeremiah 41:11-15

Johanan heard of the evil that Ishmael had done Johanan took an army to fight against Ishmael Johanan gave hope to the people taken by Ishmael Johanan rescued all those who had been taken by Ishmael Johanan was not able to capture Ishmael and he escaped

4. Ishmael caused the other people to be filled with fear Jeremiah 41:16-18

the people were brought back to Gibeon by Johanan the people prepared to go down to the land of Egypt the people went to Egypt for fear of the Babylonians

C. Jeremiah warned the people about going to Egypt Jeremiah 42:1-22

1. the people asked Jeremiah to pray for them Jeremiah 42:1-6

Jeremiah had all the leaders of the people come to him Jeremiah was asked to pray to the Lord for them Jeremiah heard the people say they wanted to follow God Jeremiah agreed to pray to the Lord for the people Jeremiah heard the people agree to do what God said Jeremiah heard them say that they would obey God

2. the people were given an answer from the Lord Jeremiah 42:7-12

Jeremiah received an answer from the Lord after ten days Jeremiah called the leaders to hear what God had said Jeremiah said that the message he gave came from the Lord Jeremiah said the Lord will bless them if they remained in the land Jeremiah said that they did not need to be afraid of the king of Babylon Jeremiah said that the Lord would show His mercy to them in the land

3. the people were warned about rejecting the message of the Lord Jeremiah 42:13-18

Jeremiah warned of the results of choosing to disobey the Lord Jeremiah warned the people of deceiving themselves Jeremiah warned what would happen if they chose to go to Egypt Jeremiah warned that they would die by the sword in Egypt Jeremiah warned that the Lord would bring evil on them in Egypt Jeremiah said they would experience the anger of the Lord in Egypt

4. the people were given a warning by Jeremiah Jeremiah 42:19-22

Jeremiah encouraged the people not to go to Egypt Jeremiah encouraged them to obey the word of the Lord Jeremiah warned them that they had not obeyed the Lord Jeremiah said that they would certainly be judged in Egypt

D. Jeremiah warned the Jews of judgment in Egypt Jeremiah 43:1-13

1. the people did not obey God but went to Egypt Jeremiah 43:1-7

Jeremiah was accused of speaking falsely Jeremiah was accused of trying to deliver them to the Babylonians Jeremiah saw the people refuse to obey the voice of the Lord Jeremiah saw the people go to Egypt instead

2. the people were warned by Jeremiah of coming judgment Jeremiah 43:8-13

Jeremiah was told to take great stones in Egypt Jeremiah said that Babylon would also conquer Egypt Jeremiah said Babylon would judge the Jews in Egypt Jeremiah said God would break the idols as well

E. Jeremiah had his message rejected by the Jews in Egypt Jeremiah 44:1-30

1. the Lord rebuked the people for not humbling themselves Jeremiah 44:1-10

Jeremiah reminded the people of what had happened to Jerusalem Jeremiah said that Jerusalem was judged for worshiping idols Jeremiah said that God had sent prophets to Judah Jeremiah said that was why Jerusalem was judged Jeremiah said they were now doing the same evil in Egypt Jeremiah said that they had forgotten their own wickedness Jeremiah said that they still had not humbled themselves

2. the Lord said that He would punish the Jews in Egypt Jeremiah 44:11-14

Jeremiah said God had set His face against the Jews Jeremiah said that God would judge the remnant in Egypt Jeremiah said that God would punish those living in Egypt Jeremiah said that those in Egypt would not escape 3. the Lord heard the people say they would do what they wanted Jeremiah 44:15-19

the people who were worshiping idols answered Jeremiah the people told Jeremiah that they would not listen to him the people said that had not suffered evil while worshiping idols the people said they lacked since they stopped serving idols the people were in agreement about worshiping idols

4. the Lord said the people would see whose word would stand Jeremiah 44:20-28

Jeremiah spoke to all the people that were worshiping idols Jeremiah said that the Lord certainly saw their worship of idols Jeremiah said that the Lord could take their idol worship no longer Jeremiah said that was why they were now being judged Jeremiah told the people to hear the word of the Lord Jeremiah said that the people had vowed to worship idols Jeremiah said that the Lord had said they would be judged Jeremiah said that the Lord would watch over them for evil Jeremiah said that only a small number would escape

5. the Lord said His word would stand and He would punish them Jeremiah 44:29-30

Jeremiah said that the Lord would punish them in Egypt Jeremiah said that God would also judge the Pharaoh of Egypt

F. Jeremiah was given a message for Baruch Jeremiah 45:1-5

Baruch was the one who wrote this book for Jeremiah Baruch also received a message from the Lord Baruch had thought that he would also be judged Baruch was told that the Lord was in control Baruch was told that his life would be spared

Prophecies concerning the nations Jeremiah 46:1-52:34

I.

Prophecies against the nation of Egypt Jeremiah 46:1-28

> 1. Egypt would face a day of judgment Jeremiah 46:1-12

the Lord gave Jeremiah a prophecy against Egypt the Lord said Egypt would be defeated by Babylon the Lord said Egypt was depending on its own might the Lord said He would cause the might of Egypt to be beaten the Lord said the swift and the mighty would not escape the Lord said Egypt thought they would cover like a flood the Lord said Egypt was trusting other nations to help the Lord said that Egypt would be devoured by the sword the Lord said Egypt would find no medicine to help

> 2. Egypt would be defeated by Babylon Jeremiah 46:13-26

the Lord said Nebuchadnezzar would strike Egypt the Lord said the mighty Egyptians would fall the Lord told Egypt to prepare to go into captivity the Lord said judgment would come from the north the Lord said Egypt would be delivered to the people of the north the Lord said He would punish the idols and people of Egypt the Lord said He would deliver Egypt to the king of Babylon

> 3. Egypt would not bring an end to the Jews Jeremiah 46:27-28

the Lord promised to deliver Judah from captivity the Lord said He would punish but not destroy Judah

J. Prophecies against the Philistines Jeremiah 47:1-7

the Lord said an army would come like a flood from the north the Lord said the Philistines would flee at the sound of the armies the Lord said he would cause the Philistines to be plundered the Lord said He would not stop until the cities were destroyed

K. Prophecies against the nation of Moab Jeremiah 48:1-47

1. Moab would see its cities destroyed Jeremiah 48:1-6

2. Moab would be destroyed because they trusted in their works Jeremiah 48:7-10

> 3. Moab would be caused to become a wanderer Jeremiah 48:11-13

4. Moab would have judgment come on the entire land Jeremiah 48:14-25

5. Moab would experience judgment because it magnified itself against the Lord Jeremiah 48:26-46

the people of Moab magnified themselves against Israel the people of Moab were filled with pride the people of Moab would be filled with wailing the people of Moab would see their joy taken away the people of Moab would no longer offer sacrifices to idols the people of Moab would be filled with mourning the people of Moab would have their pride against God destroyed the people of Moab would flee because of fear the people of Moab would be taken away as captives

> 6. Moab would be restored in the latter days Jeremiah 48:47

L.. Prophecies against the nation of Ammon Jeremiah 49:1-6

Ammon had taken part of the cities of Israel Ammon would see their capital destroyed Ammon had trusted in her riches Ammon would be filled with fear Ammon would afterward be restored

М.

Prophecies against the nation of Edom Jeremiah 49:7-22

Edom would see its inhabitants flee Edom would become an empty land Edom would see its cities become desolate Edom had been deceived by the pride of her heart Edom would become like the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah Edom would see the Lord fulfill His purpose against Edom

N.

Prophecies against the city of Damascus Jeremiah 49:23-27

Damascus would become a feeble city Damascus would have their men of war killed Damascus would have its wall burned with fire

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Prophecies against the nation of Arabia Jeremiah 49:28-33

the Arabians would have their tents and flocks taken away the Arabians would be forced to flee and be scattered to the winds the Arabians would see their land become desolate P. Prophecies against the nation of Elam Jeremiah 49:34-39

Elam would have her power broken Elam would be scattered to the four winds Elam would experience evil from the Lord Elam would see its captives return in the latter days

Q. Prophecies against the nation of Babylon Jeremiah 50:1-51:64

1. Babylon would be defeated by a nation from the north Jeremiah 50:1-20

the Lord promised to bring a nation from the north against Babylon the Lord said the people of Judah would seek Him at that time the Lord said that His people had been like lost sheep the Lord said He would bring great nations against Babylon the Lord said the nation would make Babylon desolate the Lord said the nations would take vengeance on Babylon the Lord promised to restore the nation of Israel the Lord promised to pardon the sins of Israel

2. Babylon would have its pride punished Jeremiah 50:21-34

the Lord promised to send armies against the regions of Babylon the Lord promised to break Babylon and make it a desolation the Lord said He would open His armory against Babylon the Lord said the treasures of Babylon would be taken the Lord said Babylon would experience His vengeance the Lord said Babylon would reap the results of her pride the Lord said He would punish the pride of Babylon the Lord would be a Redeemer to His people

3. Babylon would be completely overthrown Jeremiah 50:35-46

the city of Babylon would have a sword come against it the city of Babylon would never be inhabited again the city of Babylon would have a cruel army come against it the city of Babylon would not be able to stand the city of Babylon would see the purposes of God carried out

4. Babylon would be judged for its sins against Israel Jeremiah 51:1-64

a. God would judge Babylon because they sinned against Israel Jeremiah 51:1-19

Babylon would see her people killed by the enemies Babylon would see that God has not forsaken Israel Babylon would be cut off and fall very suddenly Babylon would not be able to be healed Babylon would be destroyed by the Medes Babylon would see the greatness of God's power Babylon would find their own gods were worthless

b. God would use Cyrus to defeat Babylon and judge her Jeremiah 51:20-35

Babylon would see Cyrus used to break them in pieces Babylon would be destroyed as they destroyed others Babylon would have the Medes lead the nations against her Babylon would see their troops become powerless Babylon would become like a threshing floor

c. God would plead the cause of His people against Babylon Jeremiah 51:36-64

Babylon would become a place for wild animals Babylon was not a place for the people of God Babylon would fall just as it caused Jerusalem to fall Babylon would see judgment come on her idols Babylon had its coming judgment read by Seraiah

R. Review of the destruction of Jerusalem Jeremiah 52:1-34

1. Jerusalem was conquered and had its leadership flee Jeremiah 52:1-11

King Zedekiah was a very evil king King Zedekiah rebelled against the Babylonians King Zedekiah caused the Babylonians to come against Jerusalem King Zedekiah saw Jerusalem become hungry for lack of food King Zedekiah and the men fled from the city King Zedekiah was captured by the Babylonians King Zedekiah had his sons killed before his eyes King Zedekiah had his eyes put out and was taken to Babylon

> 2. Jerusalem was left in the care of the poor Jerusalem 52:12-23

Babylon burned the temple in Jerusalem Babylon broke down the walls of Jerusalem Babylon took part of the people as captives Babylon left the poor to care for the land Babylon took the things of value from the temple

3. Jerusalem had its people and wealth taken to Babylon Jeremiah 52:24-34

the removal of the people

the king of Babylon took the leaders from Jerusalem to Babylon the king of Babylon took the people to Babylon at different times

the remembrance of the king

the king of Babylon brought Jehoiachin out of prison the king of Babylon showed kindness to Jehoiachin the king of Babylon provided food for Jehoiachin

I. I. Jeremiah describes the desolation of Jerusalem Lamentations 1:1-22

A. the city became a lonely city Lamentations 1:1-11

Jerusalem had become a lonely city Jerusalem had no one to comfort her Jerusalem had been taken into captivity Jerusalem had no one to come to the feasts Jerusalem was reaping the results of her sin Jerusalem no longer had any beauty or strength Jerusalem had no one to help or protect her Jerusalem had been removed for her sin Jerusalem had her riches taken away Jerusalem had become full of sighing

> B. the city experienced great anguish Lamentations 1:12-22

Jerusalem was experiencing great sorrow Jerusalem was feeling empty and faint Jerusalem was feeling like it was without strength Jerusalem had lost her young men and women Jerusalem caused Jeremiah to respond with weeping Jerusalem was a city that had none to offer comfort

Jeremiah realized that the Lord was righteous in judging

Jerusalem had been deceived by false gods Jerusalem caused its enemies to be glad

Jeremiah asked that the enemies would also have their sins judged

II. Jeremiah describes the destruction of Jerusalem Lamentations 2:1-22

A. the city experienced the Lord's judgment Lamentations 2:1-10

the Lord covered Jerusalem with the cloud of His anger the Lord had shown no pity in His anger against sin the Lord had devoured Jerusalem with a flaming fire the Lord had come as an adversary against Jerusalem the Lord had caused Jerusalem to be filled with weeping the Lord had destroyed the temple and its feasts the Lord had rejected the altar of sacrifice the Lord had destroyed the wall of the city the Lord had removed the leaders from Jerusalem the Lord caused the people to cover themselves with sackcloth

B. the city caused great sorrow to Jeremiah Lamentations 2:11-22

Jeremiah had great sorrow for the judgment of Jerusalem Jeremiah understood the pain and sorrow of the mothers Jeremiah had a desire to comfort and heal Jerusalem Jeremiah saw that the people were deceived by false prophets Jeremiah saw the response of the nations to Jerusalem Jeremiah heard the words that the enemies were speaking Jeremiah realized that the Lord had fulfilled His purpose Jeremiah understood the weeping of the people Jeremiah encouraged the people to cry out to the Lord Jeremiah gave his own cry for the Lord to consider them Jeremiah saw that the Lord had judged both the young and the old Jeremiah saw the terrible results of the Lord's anger against sin

God is holy and must judge sin! Jeremiah understood this but it still caused great sorrow

III. Jeremiah describes his personal response to this judgment Lamentations 3:1-66

A. the Lord hears the pain of Jeremiah Lamentations 3:1-21

1. this pain made Jeremiah feel like the Lord was far away Lamentations 3:1-9

Jeremiah felt like he was the one suffering the wrath of God Jeremiah felt like he was walking in darkness Jeremiah felt like God had turned His hand against him Jeremiah felt he had become an old man Jeremiah felt like he had been surrounded with bitterness Jeremiah felt like he was almost among the dead Jeremiah felt like he was a prisoner Jeremiah felt like God was not listening to his prayer Jeremiah felt like there was no way of escape

2. this pain made Jeremiah feel like he was suffering personally Lamentations 3:10-18

Jeremiah felt like he had been personally ambushed Jeremiah felt like he had been torn in pieces Jeremiah felt like he was the target of God's judgment Jeremiah felt like he had been pierced with God's arrows Jeremiah felt that the people were all making fun of him

3. this pain caused Jeremiah to turn to the Lord for understanding Lamentations 3:19-21

Jeremiah asked the Lord to remember his suffering and affliction Jeremiah was humbled as he remembered his suffering Jeremiah realized that the Lord was his hope

We need to remember that our hope is also in the Lord!

B. the Lord hears the hope of Jeremiah Lamentations 3:22-42

1. this hope is based on the Lord's faithfulness Lamentations 3:22-30

the Lord shows everlasting mercy and compassion the Lord shows great faithfulness to those who trust Him the Lord is the source of hope for those who trust in Him the Lord is good to those who seek Him the Lord shows His salvation to those who wait for Him the Lord teaches us how to bear our yoke in our youth the Lord is the One who prepares each of us for our yoke the Lord is the one who deserves our total submission the Lord gave us an example by His submission

> 2. this hope is based on the Lord's mercies Lamentations 3:31-36

the Lord will not cast away those who follow Him the Lord will show compassion according to His mercies the Lord does not choose to afflict those who follow Him the Lord does not approve those who crush others the Lord does not approve those who turn aside justice the Lord does not approve those who take advantage of others

> 3. this hope causes us to examine our own ways Lamentations 3:37-42

> > God's holiness

the Lord is the One who knows all things the Lord is the source of both justice and judgment

Our response

we should not complain when we are punished for our sins we need to search out and examine our own ways we need to lift up our hands to the Lord in prayer we need to confess our sins to the Lord

C. the Lord hears of the suffering of Jeremiah Lamentations 3:43-54

1. Jeremiah felt like God was not hearing their prayers Jeremiah 3:43-45

he felt like God was showing no pity to Judah he felt that God was not hearing their prayers he felt like they had rejected as unfit for use

2. Jeremiah was experiencing suffering from God's enemies Jeremiah 3:46-54

the enemies were speaking against them the enemies were causing fear by their destruction the enemies caused Jeremiah to be consumed with tears the enemies made it impossible for Jeremiah to stop crying the enemies did not know that Jeremiah was seeking the Lord the enemies were causing pain in what Jeremiah saw the enemies were treating him like a hunted bird the enemies tried to kill him in the pit the enemies almost drowned him

D. the Lord hears the prayer of Jeremiah Lamentations 3:55-66

Jeremiah called to the Lord from the lowest pit Jeremiah knew that the Lord heard his prayer Jeremiah had his fear taken away by the Lord Jeremiah had been redeemed by the Lord Jeremiah saw that the Lord knew he was wronged Jeremiah saw that the Lord knew their schemes Jeremiah knew that the Lord heard their words Jeremiah knew that the Lord heard their taunting Jeremiah asked the Lord to repay them Jeremiah asked the Lord to curse them Jeremiah asked the Lord to destroy them

IV. Jeremiah describes the defeat of Jerusalem Lamentations 4:1-22

1. Jerusalem suffered during the siege of the city Lamentations 4:1-12

the people saw the gold of the temple scattered the people saw the people treated like clay pots the people saw no compassion by the people the people did not to help the suffering of the children the people saw its rich become desolate the people received a terrible punishment the people had formerly had healthy leaders the people now had starving leaders the people saw many die from hunger the people even ate their own children the people experienced the anger of the Lord the people caused the world to be amazed

2. Jerusalem is given the reasons for the siege Lamentations 4:13-20

the people had followed false prophets and priests the people saw these leaders defiled with blood the people treated these false leaders like lepers the people did not respect the good leaders the people looked for a nation that could not save them the people realized that their day would soon be over the people could not escape by fleeing the people were sent to live among the nations

> 3. Jerusalem is given hope for the future Lamentations 4:21-22

the Lord said Edom who received part of their land would be judged the Lord would one day bring Judah back from its captivity

V. Jeremiah concludes with his prayer for his people Lamentations 5:1-22

A. the Lord hears the confession of Jeremiah for his people Lamentations 5:1-18

> 1. Jeremiah reviews the physical consequences of sin Lamentations 5:1-9

the people were experiencing reproach the people had lost their inheritance the people had become orphans and widows the people had to buy their water and wood the people were unable to get any rest the people had to give away what they had the people were experiencing the results of sin the people had no one to deliver them the people were constantly fearful of death

2. Jeremiah reviews the emotional and spiritual consequences of sin Lamentations 5:10-18

the people were suffering from famine the people saw their women raped the people saw their leaders tortured the people saw their boys doing the work of women and men the people could no longer make decisions or enjoy fellowship the people had lost their joy and were filled with mourning the people were experiencing judgment the people were losing heart and hope the people saw their land become desolate

B. the Lord hears the prayer of Jeremiah for his people Lamentations 5:19-22

the people needed to recognize the Lord gives eternal life the people needed to turn back to Him for restoration