

Jeremiah & Lamentations

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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

**3. God said that Judah was like a wild animal
Jeremiah 2:23-24**

**Judah had followed evil like a camel in heat
Judah had been like a wild donkey looking for a mate**

**4. God said that Judah should be filled with shame
Jeremiah 2:25-30**

**Judah had said it would keep following its ways
Judah was guilty of sin at every level of society
Judah had worshiped the trees and the stones
Judah would find no help from these gods
Judah as a whole had sinned against God
Judah had destroyed the prophets of God**

**5. God said that the people had forgotten Him
Jeremiah 2:31-37**

**Judah said they were their own lords
Judah had forgotten God for many days
Judah taught their wicked ways to others
Judah had shed the blood of many innocent people
Judah still claimed it was innocent and had not sinned
Judah would one day be ashamed of depending on Egypt and Assyria
Judah would one day be taken away as a captive people**

**C. Judah had polluted the land with idol worship
Jeremiah 3:1-5**

**Judah is urged to return to the Lord
Judah had polluted the land by their idol worship
Judah refused to be ashamed even when God withheld the rain
Judah is urged to begin calling on God again
Judah had done as much evil as it could**

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 see 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
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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**

V.

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 Anathoth
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

Jeremiah 15:16

“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 worshipping 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 be 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
the 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**

**Babylon would become a perpetual desolation
Babylon would experience what Jeremiah predicted
Babylon would be repaid according to her deeds
Babylon would experience the cup of the Lord's wrath
Babylon would experience the sword of the Lord**

- 2. the Lord named the nations that would experience His wrath
Jeremiah 25:17-29**

**the nations are listed that the Lord would judge
the nations would fall and rise no more
the nations would certainly experience judgment
the nations would be punished just like Jerusalem**

- 3. the Lord told Jeremiah what to prophesy against the nations
Jeremiah 25:30-33**

**God would speak judgment of the nations from heaven
God would cause the wicked to fall by the sword
God would bring disaster upon the nations
God would leave none to bury the dead**

- 4. the Lord told of the judgment of the leaders of the nations
Jeremiah 25:34-38**

**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 separated man from God resulted in death	reveals God's righteousness brings man to God 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 Pharaoh 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 Pharaoh 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**

**Gedaliah had a meal with Ishmael at Mizpeh
Gedaliah was killed by Ishmael at Mizpeh
Gedaliah'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 Gedaliah
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

M.
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

O.
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 no one to comfort her
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**