

Study Outline

Main Point: Called as a youth, Jeremiah was entrusted with a most difficult task. As Isaiah predicted, Babylon was on the march and because the generations that followed King Hezekiah's reign reverted back to their pagan tendencies, God would use this growing empire to judge Judah. Though destruction was imminent, God still commissioned the prophet Jeremiah to act as the final warning of judgment, and provide God's final call towards repentance. Sadly, no one heeded the words of Jeremiah, and in 586 Babylon sacked Jerusalem.

As the "Last Chance Prophet", God used Jeremiah's ministry in two specific ways. First, though his message was totally rejected, Jeremiah's final call towards repentance served to communicate God's desire to restore His people, not judgment them. Secondly, though his ministry was completely rejected, the way the people treated Jeremiah further added to God's case against the people of Judah.

Scriptural Placement: 2 Kings 22-25; 2 Chronicles 34-36

Kistorical Placement: (627-586 B.C.)

Jeremiah's ministry occurred in the Southern Kingdom of Judah (Pre-Exile), during the reigns of kings Josiah, Jehoiakim, Zedekiah.

SECTION #1 (Jeremiah 1): BIOGRAPHICAL - God's Calling

SECTION #2: (Jeremiah 2-25): GUILT AS CHARGED

- Charge #1: Covenantal Adultery
- Charge #2: False Religion - Charge #3: Engaging Idolatry

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Jeremiah 2-6 Jeremiah 7-9 Jeremiah 10 Jeremiah 11-22 Jeremiah 23-25

Charge #4: Stubbornness & Pride
Charge #5: Spiritual Blindness

SECTION #3 (Jeremiah 26-29): BIOGRAPHICAL - Rejection

SECTION #4: (Jeremiah 30-31): PROMISE OF RESTORATION

- Promise #1: Nation will be Restored
- Promise #2: New Covenant Established

SECTION #5 (Jeremiah 32-45): BIOGRAPHICAL - Persecution

SECTION #6: (Jeremiah 46-51): GOD JUDGES THE NATIONS

- Judgment #1: Egypt
- Judgment #2: Philistia
- Judgment #3: Moab
- Judgment #4: Other Nations
- Judgment #5: Babylon

Jeremiah 46 Jeremiah 47 Jeremiah 48 Jeremiah 49 Jeremiah 50-51

Jeremiah 30

Jeremiah 31

SECTION #7 (Jeremiah 51): BIOGRAPHICAL - Judgment



Day 1: Fre-Birth Destiny....

Jeremiah 1:4-10 // THINKING POINTS: (1). According to this passage, what is the point of human conception? (2). If God plays such a huge role in your development before you were even born (knew you, sanctified you, ordained you), do you think God might know best how you should live your life? (3). God has a plan for your life.... how should this reality effect the decisions & choices you make?

Day 2: Dont Follow Your Keart....

Jeremiah 17:5-10 // THINKING POINTS: (1). What do you learn by comparing those who "trust in man" with those who "trust in the Lord"? (2). In what ways can you practically "trust in the Lord"? (3). By telling us the "heart is deceitful", what is the Lord warning us against?

Day 3: Pottery Barn....

Jeremiah 18:1-11 // THINKING POINTS: (1). Though God is speaking to Jeremiah concerning the nations, in what way is this image of the potter and the clay representative of your relationship with God? (2). By comparing your life to a clay vessel, how can a vessel become marred rendering it worthless? (3). What process does the potter uses to restore and fashion a marred vessel into a useful one?

Day 4: God Thoughts

Jeremiah 29:1-14 // THINKING POINTS: (1). The Lord made this statement to Jews being punished for disobedience, how should this encourage you? (2). In what way should the knowledge that God has a "future and a hope", encourage you in the midst of your troubles? (3). In the midst of your trial God wants two important realities to strengthen you to endure, what are they?

Day 5: New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31-34 // THINKING POINTS: (1). What were the parameters of the Old Covenant that God had initially established with His people? (2). Though the people could not live up the standard the Law established, in what way did Jesus fulfill the righteous requirements of the Law? (3). What is the New Covenant?

Day 6: Black Sheep....

Jeremiah 36:20-32 // THINKING POINTS: (1). How did Jehoiakim respond to the word of Jeremiah? (2). What were the immediate and long-term consequence for Jehoiakim's behavior? (3). How can you rob yourself of the chance to be apart of Jesus' story?