

# ✠ Unsheathing the SWORD ✠



## JEREMIAH

**MEMORIZATION – Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.’”**

### Chapter 1

1. Jeremiah’s dad is a (circle one):
  - a) farmer
  - b) vineyard owner
  - c) priest
2. Who is king of Judah when the word of the Lord first comes to Jeremiah?
3. Write out the words of the call of Jeremiah in verse five.
4. What does Jeremiah see first?

Extra credit: Does your Bible have notes to explain the meaning of this vision?

5. What does Jeremiah see second?
6. Disaster will come from what direction?

## **Chapter 2**

1. Summarize 2:1-3:5 in one or two sentences.

## **Chapter 3**

1. To Israel the Lord declares that He is merciful and that He will not be angry forever. "Only \_\_\_\_\_."
2. Who will gather in Jerusalem to honor the name of the Lord?

## **Chapter 4 – none**

## **Chapter 5**

1. How many people of Jerusalem deal honestly and seek the truth?
2. Among the Lord's people are wicked men whose evil deeds have no limit. "...they do not plead the case of the \_\_\_\_\_ to win it, they do not defend the rights of the \_\_\_\_\_."

## **Chapter 6**

1. The people are greedy. The prophets and priests are deceitful. They do not even know how to blush. And they say, "Peace, peace," when \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Chapter 7**

1. True or false: Although the people have been unfaithful, worship in the temple has remained solely of the Lord.
2. What is burned in the Valley of Ben Hinnom?

## **Chapter 8**

1. Compare 8:10b-12 to 6:13-15.

## **Chapter 9**

1. The wise boast about their wisdom. The strong boast about strength. The rich boast about riches. But if we're going to boast, what should we boast about?

## **Chapter 10 – none**

## **Chapter 11**

1. True or false: The house of Israel broke the covenant of the Lord.
2. True or false: The house of Judah broke the covenant of the Lord.
3. The men of Anathoth have threatened Jeremiah's life if he continues to do what?

## **Chapter 12 – none**

## **Chapter 13**

1. What article of clothing becomes a teaching symbol?

## **Chapter 14**

1. False prophets are telling the people there will be no sword or famine in the land. What will happen to these false prophets?

## **Chapter 15**

1. Four kinds of destruction will come against Jerusalem. Which king of Judah gets the blame?

## **Chapter 16**

1. Jeremiah is told (circle one):
  - a) not to marry
  - b) not to have children
  - c) not to be part of a funeral
  - d) not to take part in a feast
  - e) all of the above

## **Chapter 17**

1. What law does the Lord have Jeremiah proclaim at the gates as a “measurement of faith?”

## **Chapter 18**

1. The Lord sends Jeremiah to a specific house. What symbolism does the Lord use once again to show that we are the work of His hands?

## **Chapter 19**

1. Another visual lesson:
  - a) What does Jeremiah buy and break in the presence of elders and priests?
  - b) What does this symbolize?
2. Jeremiah prophesies in the temple courts. What does the priest Pashhur do?

## **Chapter 20**

1. True or false: Jeremiah enjoys being a prophet.

## Chapter 21

1. King Zedekiah inquires of the Lord through Jeremiah. The news isn't good.

a) What will happen to those who choose to stay in the city?

b) What will happen to those who leave the city and surrender to the Babylonians?

## Chapter 22

1. Jeremiah proclaimed at the city gates, and at the temple. Where does the Lord tell him to go now?

2. According to chapter 22, when people from many nations see Jerusalem destroyed and ask why the Lord has done this, what will be the answer?

## Chapter 23

1. True or false: As the Lord speaks of judgment and exile, He also speaks of a time when the exiles will be gathered back to their land.

2. True or false: Although the king and people are faithless, the prophets and priests stay faithful to the Lord.

## Chapter 24

1. Jeremiah sees two baskets of figs. Did this vision occur before or after defeat by King Nebuchadnezzar?

2. Good fig/bad fig. Which are they? Mark an X in the appropriate blank.

	Good	Bad
Judah exiles in Babylon	_____	_____
Zedekiah	_____	_____
Officials	_____	_____
Jerusalem survivors	_____	_____

## **Chapter 25**

1. For how many years has Jeremiah spoken the word of the Lord?
2. A time is set for the captivity to end. How many years will the Babylonian captivity last?
3. True or false: Jeremiah is given the cup of God's wrath and it is not only for Judah, but also for other nations.

## **Chapter 26**

1. According to the priests and prophets at the temple, why should Jeremiah die?
2. Uriah is another prophet. What happens to him?

## **Chapter 27**

1. What is used for an object lesson in chapter 27?

## **Chapter 28**

1. It's a prophet stand off. What false prophet breaks Jeremiah's yoke and says that exiles will return to Judah within two years?

## **Chapter 29**

1. There is communication between those in Jerusalem and those in Babylon. In Jeremiah's letter the Lord tells the exiles to (Circle all that are correct.):
  - a) rebel against Babylon
  - b) build homes and settle down
  - c) plant gardens
  - d) marry and have children
  - e) increase in number
  - f) pray for the city of exile
  - g) beware of false prophets
  - h) know that they will return in 70 years

2. “For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to \_\_\_\_\_ you and not to \_\_\_\_\_ you, plans to give you \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.’ Then you will \_\_\_\_\_ and come and \_\_\_\_\_, and I will \_\_\_\_\_ to you. You will \_\_\_\_\_ Me and \_\_\_\_\_ Me when you \_\_\_\_\_ Me with \_\_\_\_\_.”

3. Do you ever wonder about your worth? Jeremiah 29:11 tells you that your life is not your own – the Lord has plans for you. His plan will give you hope and a future. Are you calling upon the Lord, and are you seeking Him with all of your heart?

4. What three things will destroy the king and those remaining in Jerusalem?

5. What two false prophets will die by Nebuchadnezzar?

6. True or false: The priest Zephaniah kills Jeremiah at the order of Shemaiah the Nehelamite.

### **Chapter 30 – none**

### **Chapter 31**

1. “Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted...because her children are no more.” Read Genesis 35:16-20 and Matthew 2:13-18. See the connection of Rachel to Bethlehem. Also see that one method of royal politics and protecting the throne doesn’t change from Old Testament to New. The murder of rivals secures the throne.

### **Chapter 32**

1. Where is Jeremiah in the tenth year of Zedekiah (circle one)?
- a) fleeing to Egypt
  - b) living in his cousin’s field
  - c) imprisoned in courtyard of guard in royal palace of Judah

2. What does Jeremiah do to show that houses, fields and vineyards will again be bought in this land?

3. To whom does Jeremiah give the deed of purchase?

4. The word of the Lord that comes to Jeremiah tells clearly what will happen to Jerusalem. The people of Israel and Judah have done \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ in God's sight from their youth.

5. What two sins are mentioned again here?

### **Chapter 33 – none**

### **Chapter 34**

1. During the siege of Jerusalem the Lord tells King Zedekiah what is in store.

a) Will Jerusalem fall to the Babylonians?

b) True or false: Jerusalem will be burned down.

c) Will King Zedekiah be killed or captured?

d) Will King Zedekiah die by the sword or peacefully?

### **Chapter 35**

1. What family is held up to the people of Judah in Jerusalem as an example of obedience?

### **Chapter 36**

1. Who writes as Jeremiah dictates the words of the Lord?

2. Where and when are the words read first?



3. Then Baruch is summoned to read the scroll to the officials.
  - a) What do the officials tell Baruch to do?
  - b) What happens to the scroll?
4. The scroll is read a third time. To whom?
5. What is the king's response?
6. True or false: The reading of the words of the Lord results in repentance of the king and his attendants.
7. True or false: Everyone present is happy to see the scroll burn.
8. King Jehoiakim tries to arrest Jeremiah and Baruch.
  - a) Does this work?
  - b) Why or why not?
9. What does the Lord tell Jeremiah and Baruch to write this time?

### **Chapter 37**

1. What king asks Jeremiah to pray to the Lord for the city?
2. The army of what nation is coming to support Jerusalem?
3. Where does Jeremiah head and why?
4. On what charge is Jeremiah arrested?

Extra credit: Why might the captain of the guard think that Jeremiah is deserting? See 21:9 & 38:2.

5. Circle all that happen here.
- a) Jeremiah is arrested.
  - b) Jeremiah is beaten.
  - c) Jeremiah is imprisoned in a dungeon cell for a long time.
  - d) Jeremiah is a prisoner in the courtyard of the guard.

### **Chapter 38**

1. Another attempt on Jeremiah's life. List the men asking for Jeremiah's death.
  
2. When King Zedekiah swears a secret oath, what is the word from the Lord?
  
3. Of whom is the king afraid?
  
4. Where does Jeremiah stay until the city is captured?

### **Chapter 39**

Extra credit: How long is Jerusalem under siege by the Babylonians?

1. Does Zedekiah surrender?
  
2. What happens to Zedekiah's sons?
  
3. What happens to Zedekiah?
  
4. What happens to Jerusalem?
  
5. Who go to Babylon?
  
6. Who are left behind?

7. What happens to Jeremiah?

Extra credit: Ebed-Melech gets a special message. What earlier action showed his faith in the Lord?

### **Chapter 40**

1. Listen to the witness of Nebuzaradan (commander of the Babylonian imperial guard)! According to this witness:
  - a) who decreed the disaster?
  - b) why did this happen?
2. Who return to Judah and harvest “an abundance of wine and summer fruit?”

### **Chapter 41**

1. Who sets himself against Gedeliah?
2. Does he live or die?

### **Chapter 42**

1. The remnant asks Jeremiah to inquire of the Lord. Does the Lord tell them to stay in Judah or to go to Egypt?

### **Chapter 43**

1. What does the remnant choose to do?
2. What happens to Jeremiah and Baruch?

3. What are used in the object lesson at Pharaoh's palace?
4. What will happen?

### **Chapter 44**

1. True or false: In Egypt the remnant is faithful to the Lord alone.
2. What sign will prove the validity of the words of the Lord regarding judgment of the remnant in Egypt?

### **Chapter 45**

1. At a time when Baruch is distressed, what is the Lord's message to him?

### **Chapters 46-50**

1. Pharaoh \_\_\_\_\_ king of \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ River by \_\_\_\_\_ king of \_\_\_\_\_ during the reign of \_\_\_\_\_ king of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. List the nations/peoples of the "messages" in chapters 46-50. Pay special attention to mention of judgment against the gods of those nations. Notice the mix of temporal (earthly) and spiritual.

### **Chapter 51**

1. In two places in chapter 51 the Lord specifically mentions those who will destroy Babylon.
  - a) What kings are mentioned twice?
  - b) What three kingdoms are "summoned against" Babylon?
2. At the end of chapter 51 we read "The words of \_\_\_\_\_ end here."

## Chapter 52

Extra credit: Does chapter 52 sound familiar? (See chapter 39.) Pay attention to the list of plundered temple items. Can you name an important temple furnishing that is not on the list?

1. What is the total number of exiles?
  
2. Two questions to summarize the book of Jeremiah.
  - a) Disaster is coming and the Lord (circle one):
    - 1) will not say why
    - 2) clearly declares the reason through the prophets
  
  - b) In your own words – why is the judgment coming?

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