

Lord, Heal My Hurts - Lesson 1

Balm of Gilead	Broken Cisterns
<p>Hurts - lead to wounds - wounds fester and destroy - grow every day if not resolved</p> <p>Gilead - western Jordan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - aromatic medicinal balm - Skilled physicians - Source of healing in the Biblical world (Gen 37:25) <p>Jer 8:22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is there no balm in Gilead? YES THERE IS - Is there no physician there? THERE IS - Why are my people still sick? THEY WON'T USE IT <p>WHY?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pride - Don't believe (indeed has God not said . . .) faith - Don't deserve it - Ignorance <p>God has the ability to heal every hurt, every wound He is the source of our healing</p>	<p>Jer 2:1-13 - 2 things they did</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - forsook the Lord - fountain of living water - Hewed out cisterns - broken - hold no water <p>Broken cisterns = failed, man-made attempts to find healing apart from God - the fountain of living water</p> <p>What are broken cisterns today?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - psychologists - someone else's fault - victim mentality - World - world's ways are really Satan's ways - Witchcraft/astrology - looking to the natural instead of God who is supernatural - Religions - false answers (always centered in self) - Alcohol/drugs - numbing the pain - Immoral relationships - trying to find "love" to fill emptiness - Activities - takes their minds off the pain for a time - proves their worth - Work, entertainment, gambling - distracting and false self-worth - Suicide - make the pain go away permanently - THEY ALL COME AT A PRICE <p>God has a plan - He desires your healing</p> <p>Jer 17:14 - Heal me, save me - You are my praise</p> <p>3 things to learn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - how to apply the balm - To follow the physicians instructions - How to give it time to work

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Pains We Bear	History of Judah
<p>Jer 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1-3 - Taking the bones of the dead and spreading them under the host of heaven who they served - 4-17 - the people turned from God and He was bringing judgment on them - 18-22 - Jeremiah's heart ached, pain was beyond healing (18) - there was healing but the people rejected it <p>Wounds and pain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - they have the power to destroy - Come from different places - pain is very real - Day to day survival - Sometimes death seems better than life <p>Mess with your head - your heart</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Worthless - Hopeless - Dirty, used, cast off - Abuse - Tormented by memories - Never being good enough - "If only's" <p>God has healing - and it's waiting for you</p>	<p>United Kingdom of Israel - Saul - David - Solomon</p> <p>Divided Kingdom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Israel - north - 10 tribes - Samaria - Judah - south - 2 tribes - Jerusalem <p>Israel falls in 722 BC at the hands of Assyria</p> <p>Judah saw the judgment of Israel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - participated in the same sins - Broke their nation - Everyone was touched by depravity - Some said peace, peace - Healing eluded them <p>Judah is about to fall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God raised up Babylon - 586 BC she was taken captive - Jeremiah describes the brokenness of the people

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Jeremiah 1-2	Jeremiah 3-5
<p>Chapter 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 5-8 - God formed Jeremiah in the womb - He consecrated him- 9-10 - God will put the words in Jeremiah's mouth- 16 - judgment is coming on their wickedness <p>Chapter 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-8 - they followed God and were blessed - then they walked away from Him after emptiness- 13 - forsook God and dug broken cisterns- 17-19 - why are seeking help from others instead of Me - you have done this to yourselves- 20-25 - would not serve God - but they walked after foreign gods	<p>Chapter 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-5 - you have violated everything - don't even know how to blush- 6-10 - God sent Israel away - Judah didn't fear- 15-18 - millennial kingdom - when they repent as a nation <p>Chapter 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-8 - call for individuals to repent - too late for the nation - break up you fallow ground and circumcise your hearts- 19-22 - disaster has been proclaimed - people are foolish, stupid children with no understanding - shrewd to do evil and don't know how to do good <p>Chapter 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-3 - refuse to take correction - they refuse to repent- 7-9 - why should I pardon them?- 10-13 - destruction is coming but not a complete destruction- 14-17 - I will bring a nation against you - Babylon- 18-19 - you served foreign gods - now serve foreign strangers- 30-31 - prophets prophesy falsely, priests rule by their own power - My people love it

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Jeremiah 6-8	Our Ultimate Source of Healing
<p>Chapter 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 6-8 - Jerusalem would be put under siege- 9-15 - ears are closed - they have no delight in the Lord or His word - healed the brokenness of the people superficially- 16-20 - refuse to listen and walk in His ways - they will reap the fruit of their plans- 27-30 - God rejected His people <p>Chapter 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-7 - trust in deceptive words - trust in the temple- 8-11 - live in sin and then stand before the Lord and say we are delivered- 12-15 - I destroyed Israel and Shiloh - I will do it to you as well- 16 - don't pray for this people- 21-26 - stiff necked people <p>Chapter 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1-3 - bring out the bones of the people- 4-7 - they refused to repent- 8-12 - healed superficially- 13-17 - God is sending destruction- 18-22 - Jeremiah is broken for his people	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Pinpoint where your hurt and despair are coming from<ul style="list-style-type: none">- our own faithlessness- Sin riddled people- Drop-out mentality- Addictions- Sexual immorality- Drawn in to the occult2. Realize how it came about<ul style="list-style-type: none">- source of the problem- Fail to listen to God - believing, obeying- DISOBEDIENCE!- Jas 4:17- Ro 14:23- I Jn 3:4- Is 53:63. Know how to deal with it<ul style="list-style-type: none">- acknowledge, confess and repent of sin- Know that God is rich in mercy- Live according to His Word