

- 722 BC - Israel destroyed by Assyria
- 640-609 BC
 - Josiah - King of Judah (II Kings 23:1-30)
 - Reforms Judah after the reading of God's laws
 - Reinstates the Passover celebration
 - Met Pharaoh Neco king of Egypt, and Pharaoh killed him, his servants brought him back to Jerusalem and buried him there
- 609 BC
 - Jehoahaz (Joahaz, Shallum) - (II Kings 23:30-33)
 - Became king
 - Reigned for 3 months
 - Taken captive by Pharaoh Neco
 - Pharaoh taxed the land and put Jehoiakim on the throne
 - Jehoiakim (Eliakim) - takes over as king (II Kings 24:1-7)
 - Being taxed by Pharaoh Neco
 - Under Babylon for 3 years and then rebelled
 - 605 BC - 1st siege
 - Daniel and friends taken (royal family, nobles, youths, no defect, good-looking, intelligent, wise - useful to the Babylonian court) (Daniel 1:3-4)
 - 604 BC - Baruch writes and reads scroll to the officials
 - He dies and Jehoiachin takes his place
- 597 BC
 - Jehoiachin (Coniah, Jeconiah) (II Kings 24:8-16)
 - king for 3 months (at 8 years old)
 - Went out to king of Babylon, his servants were besieging the city - taken back to Babylon in captivity
 - 597 BC - 2nd siege
 - Jehoiachin, his mother and servants, captains, and officials were taken captive
 - Neb took the treasures of the Lord's house and of Solomon's house
 - Ezekiel and 10,000 taken captive (craftsmen, smiths, mighty men of valor)

- Zedekiah (Mattaniah) - appointed to take over as king (II Kings 24:17-20)
 - Rebelled against king of Babylon
 - In his 9th year - 588 to the 11th year 586 - Neb built siege wall around Jerusalem and besieged the city
 - Severe famine
 - 586 BC
 - 3rd siege (II Kings 25)
 - After 1 1/2 years they break the walls and sit in the gates
 - Zedekiah tries to flee at night
 - Caught - killed his sons and his noble men and then blinded him
 - Put him in fetters and brought him to Babylon
 - City burned
 - Walls torn down
 - Took all bronze out of the house of the Lord and anything else that was left
 - Nebuzaradan was left in charge of those who were left
 - All who resisted were killed
 - All who were left were taken to Babylon except for the poorest in the land left to tend the vineyards and plow the fields
 - Jeremiah decided to stay - even though offered a nice place to stay in Babylon
 - Gedaliah was made governor (22-24)
- 562 - Evil-merodach - king of Babylon releases Jehoiachin from prison
 - He stayed in Babylon with the king and held high position (II Kings 25:27-30)

LESSON 1 - CHAPTER 1-2

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>Son of Hilkiyah (1:1) Appointed a prophet for the nations (1:5) He was young (1:6)</p> | <p>Judah forsook God (1:16) Idol worshipers (1:16) Forsaken the living water (2:13) Hew out their own cisterns that are broken When they find themselves in trouble then they want to turn to God (2:27-29)</p> | <p>You defiled the land You didn't follow Me God is ready to contend with them (2:9)</p> | <p>I am innocent God won't judge me (2:35)</p> | <p>Compassionate, will give words to Jeremiah as He needs them (1:7-9) He will go with us as He sends us to speak God will be with Him to deliver him (1:18-19) The people brought this on themselves (2:19-22)</p> | <p>Formed us in the womb, appointed Jeremiah as a prophet before he was born (1:5) - God has a plan for us - we were created with a purpose How many times do we refuse God to do things our own way? We come running to God in times of trouble but in good times we have no need of Him</p> |

LESSON 2 - CHAPTER 3-4

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>Cries out to God - You have utterly deceived this people - You say peace, a sword is at our throat (10)</p> <p>His heart is pounding - he is in anguish over what is coming (19)</p> <p>He can't be silent - he hears the sound the alarm of war (19)</p> | <p>Judah was a harlot with many lovers(1) Polluted the land (2) Heave a forehead of a harlot(3) Perverted their way and forgotten the Lord (21)</p> <p>They rebel against God (17) They are foolish (22) Stupid children - no understanding</p> | <p>You watched what God did to Israel - you watched the results and now you are doing the same thing (6-11) Return and I will give you shepherd after My own heart who will give knowledge and understanding (15) Return and I will heal (22)</p> <p>Return to God (1) Break up your fallow ground (3) Don't sow among thorns (3) Circumcise your hearts (4) Wash your hearts from evil (14) Your ways and deeds brought these things on you (18)</p> | <p>Refused to be ashamed (3) God is my friend, He won't stay angry (5) Shameful thing has consumed all that their fathers had (24)</p> <p>They flee for safety - get out of the way of destruction (29) Look for help from others to find nothing (30)</p> | <p>Showers have been withheld (3) You have had your way (5) Calls them back - acknowledge your sin, your disobedience return (12-14)</p> <p>My wrath will go forth like fire because of your evil deeds (4) I am bringing evil from the north and great destruction (6) The destroyer will lay the land to waste (7-9) Disaster is proclaimed (20) Not a complete destruction (27) I will not change My mind (28)</p> | <p>I John 1:8-10</p> <p>Jeremiah 17:9-10, Dt 10:16, Dt 30:6, Romans 2:29</p> <p>Where do we turn for help?</p> |

LESSON 3 - CHAPTER 5-6

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>Tried to get someone to listen (5:4-5) Calls the people to mourn (6:26) God has made him an assayer of the people (6:27)</p> | <p>There are none righteous (5:1) Swear falsely (5:2) Transgressions are many (5:6) They make God out to be a liar (5:12) They don't understand who God is (5:20-22) The people are wicked (5:26-28) They have no delight in God's Word (6:10) Greedy for gain (6:13) Putting on band-aids (6:14)</p> | <p>False prophets words will destroy you (5:14) Babylon will come in and devour (5:15-17) It won't be a complete destruction (5:18) You love wickedness (5:30-31) You will be destroyed (6:1-2) Walk in the good way (6:16)</p> | <p>Refused to take correction (5:3) Refused to repent (5:3) What did we do? (5:19) They have turned aside and departed (5:23) They won't walk in the path and they won't listen to the warnings (6:16-17)</p> | <p>Was bringing discipline (5:3) He will take vengeance (5:7-9) Taking things away to get them to change (5:24-25)</p> | |

LESSON 4 - CHAPTER 7-9

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>No matter how bad his people are, his heart is to intercede for them (7:16-17)</p> | <p>They live in sin then come to the temple and say everything is fine (7:9-11) They offer sacrifices to other gods to spite God (7:18-19) Did not obey but stiffened their neck (7:24-26) They did detestable things in God's eyes (7:30-31) They have chosen their own evil ways over God's (8:5-6) They don't want to be healed (8:18-22) They refuse to know the Lord (9:1-6) cf Romans 1:18-end</p> | <p>Amend their ways (7:3) Don't trust in deceptive words (7:4) God will bring judgment just as He did to Israel (7:12-15) Obey (7:23) We need to boast in understanding and knowing God (9:22-26)</p> | <p>Trust in deceptive words (7:8) Choose death rather than life (8:3) They aren't ashamed of their sin (8:8-12)</p> | <p>If you do what you are supposed to do then you can stay here (7:6-7) His anger will be poured out (7:20-22) He would destroy them (7:32-34) There is no healing only terror (8:13-17) God is turning up the heat to refine (purify) His people (9:7-21)</p> | <p>We can't fool God with our wrong motives and attitudes - we can show to church but that doesn't make us holy! How many times do we think we know better than God? We need to be ready to give the message of hope to people who will not want to be healed. What does God need to do to break us?</p> |

LESSON 5 - CHAPTER 10-12

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>He is suffering the consequences of the captivity (10:20) He realizes that God directs his every step and not himself (10:23) Asks God to correct him (10:24) He realizes that men are plotting his death, however he entrusts himself to God's keeping (11:18-23) He questions why things are happening like they are (12:1-3)</p> | <p>The shepherds have become stupid (10:21) They do not obey God's covenant (11:8-10)</p> | <p>Don't chase after idols (10:1-5) There is none like God (10:6-7) Hear God's laws and do them (11:1-7)</p> | <p>They have not prospered and their flocks are scattered (10:21) They break the covenant and they don't care (11:8-11) They cry out to God and when He doesn't listen they go to their other gods (11:12-13)</p> | <p>The True and Living God - The everlasting King (10:10) He made the earth (10:12) He stretched out the heavens (10:12) He controls the weather and all that goes on in the world (10:13) Israel is His inheritance (10:16) He is slinging out His people from the land (10:18) God brings disaster (11:11) He has pronounced evil on the house of Judah (11:14-17) God has abandoned His inheritance - even to the point of hatred (12:7-9)</p> | |

LESSON 6 - CHAPTER 13-15

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>He did what he was told even though it didn't make sense at the time (13:1-7) He weeps for his people's pride (13:17) Everyone curses him (15:10) God's word was a joy to him (15:16) Loneliness and pain (15:17-18) God will be with him and deliver him (15:20-21)</p> | <p>They would not listen (13:9-11) They forgot God and trusted in falsehood (13:25) They are going away from God (15:6) They did not repent (15:7)</p> | <p>They were to cling to God (13:9-11) Stop being haughty (13:15)</p> | <p>They remain unclean (13:27) They mourned when the drought came (14:1-6)</p> | <p>Takes them wholly into captivity - scatter them (13:18-24) God brought this upon them (13:25) Will bring destruction and will not relent (14:8-12) He is faithful to His word (14:21)</p> | |

LESSON 7 - CHAPTER 16-18

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>Not to get married or have children (16:1-4) There is a struggle in knowing God is in control but not understanding what God is doing (17:14-18) The people are plotting against Jeremiah (18:18-23)</p> | <p>Walk in the stubbornness of their own evil hearts and will not listen to God (16:11-12) Heart is deceitful and desperately sick (17:9) Did not listen - keeping the Sabbath day holy (17:20-27)</p> | <p>God will eliminate them from the land (16:9) Don't trust in mankind (17:5) Trust in the Lord (17:7) Batach - confident expectation - we can relax that He is in control God can reshape you and work you until you become the vessel He wants you to be (18:1-11)</p> | <p>Why? What have we done? (16:10) I'm going to do it my own way, I don't need God! (18:12)</p> | <p>He has withdrawn His peace, lovingkindness, and compassion from the people (16:5) He brings calamity (16:10) He will hurl them out of the land (16:13) He will restore them one day (16:15) His eyes on all they do (16:17) He will doubly pay their sins (16:18) He will make them know His might, His power and that He is God (16:21) God searches the heart and tests the mind (17:10)</p> | |

LESSON 8 - CHAPTER 19-21

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>Did what God told him to do - gets beaten and put in stocks (20:2)</p> <p>He is very human, he feels deceived, let down, nothing that he does is right, it would have been better to not have been born (20)</p> | <p>They have forsaken God (19:4)</p> <p>They have offered sacrifices to other gods (19:13)</p> <p>They have stiffened their necks so as to not heed His words (19:15)</p> | <p>God is going to shatter the people (19:11)</p> | <p>When the bad things come the people go to God for help (21:2)</p> | <p>He is about to bring calamity on Judah (19:3, 15)</p> <p>Great slaughter (19:6)</p> <p>They will eat the flesh of their sons and daughters (19:9)</p> <p>God will defend His own (20:4-6)</p> <p>Gives another chance to save their lives (21)</p> | <p>We always have a choice to do what is right; however, we don't have a choice as to what the consequence might be if we choose to do what is wrong!</p> |

LESSON 9 - CHAPTER 22-24

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| | <p>Forsook the covenant of the Lord and bowed down to other gods (22:9) You are intent on your own dishonest gain (22:17) Shepherds are scattering the flock (23:1-2)</p> | <p>Do justice and righteousness and all will go well (22:2-4) I will send destroyers (22:5-8) There is no place to hide from God (23:23-26)</p> | <p>I will not listen (22:21) The prophets keep on prophesying falsehood (23)</p> | <p>God is going to attend to the shepherds (23:2) Holding accountable those who are in charge There will be a perfect Shepherd (23:5-6) He will punish the prophets (23:11-40)</p> | |

LESSON 10 - CHAPTER 24-26

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| <p>They threatened to kill him (26:8) He stood up to the crowd and spoke for the Lord (26:13-16)</p> | <p>People didn't want to hear what the prophet said (26:8)</p> | <p>If you don't respond by going into captivity, you will be killed (24:8-10) Worship God alone (25:5-7) Go look at Shiloh - realize that I do what I say! (26:4-6) Reminder of other prophets who spoke to other kings - and some listened, some didn't (26:18-24)</p> | <p>Wouldn't listen to Jeremiah, other prophets, or God (25:3-7)</p> | <p>Their joy will be taken from them, their food source, olive oil They will serve the king of Babylon 70 years (25:11) God can use anyone He desires to bring judgment on His own people (25:13) Great judgment coming to all the nations (25:18-38)</p> | |

LESSON 11 - CHAPTER 27-29

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| | <p>The people want to listen to the false prophets because they tell them things they want to hear</p> <p>Rebellion to the Lord</p> | <p>Put yourself under the power of Nebuchadnezzar, make yourself at home in Babylon and in 70 years, I will bring you back (29:1-10)</p> <p>God has plans for their future and a hope (29:11)</p> | | <p>Has the right to give power and land to any He pleases (27:1-10)</p> <p>Will deliver in His power, in His way, and in His time (27:11-22)</p> <p>Sometimes He will call us to face those in leadership position to bring truth to them</p> | <p>There are false prophets - we need to learn to discern between the false and the true</p> <p>Are they speaking the true word of God</p> <p>There are times to speak and times to walk away</p> <p>God holds leaders to a higher standard</p> <p>False prophets</p> <p>Jn 8:44</p> <p>Mt 24:24-25</p> <p>Acts 20:28-31</p> <p>II Tim 3:1-13; 4:4:1-4</p> <p>II Peter 2</p> <p>Jude</p> <p>Who do you listen to</p> <p>John 14:16-17, 26 - Holy Spirit</p> <p>John 16:13-15 - Spirit of truth</p> <p>I John 4:1-4 - test the spirits</p> <p>God's word!</p> |

LESSON 12 - CHAPTER 30-31

| The Man | The Problem | The Message | The Response | The Judge | The Application |
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| | | <p>The fortunes will be restored (30:3) United kingdom (30:3) They will be brought back into their lands (30:3) There is great distress coming - Jacob's distress (30:7) They will serve the Lord their God and David their king (30:9) Dan 12:1; Joel 2:2; Matt 24:21-31; Rev 19:11-16; Ez 37:21-28</p> | <p>Ephraim - grieving, God chastened, he turned back, he repented, he was instructed, he was ashamed and humiliated, remember from where you have fallen and return (31:18-21) (Rev 2:5)</p> | <p>He will punish Israel - they will not go unpunished (30:11) There will be restoration God has done this to them (30:12-16) They have to come to God - He is their healing (30:17) God will make a new covenant with them (31:31-33) (Ez 36:22-28)</p> | <p>There are consequences that come with sin</p> |

LESSON 13 - CHAPTER 32-34

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| <p>Put into prison for telling Zedekiah what would happen to him (32:1-5)</p> | <p>The people went after other gods and turned their backs on the true and living God (32)</p> | <p>Jeremiah is to redeem the land of his family, put the deeds in a jar that would last for a long time (32:6-14) I will take you out of the land BUT I will bring you back again (32) - with a new heart Israel will be a united kingdom again (33)</p> | <p>The did what was right in the Lord's eyes BUT then they turned around and took it back it back and broke the covenant (34)</p> | <p>Nothing is too difficult for Him (32:17, 27) He tears down kingdoms and He plants kingdoms (32:41) He will bring health and healing (33:6) He will cleanse them of all their sins (33:8)</p> | <p>How many times do we make promises to the Lord and not keep them? Do we live like we believe that nothing is too difficult for God? Can we trust Him to work in every one of our circumstances?</p> |

People and Events of Jeremiah 35-44

| Chapter 35 | Chapter 36 | Chapter 37 | Chapter 38 | Chapter 39 |
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| <p>Rechabites - people who are obedient to their father</p> <p>Comparison of those who are willing to listen and obey - those who refuse to obey the voice of the Lord</p> <p>Results - listen and be blessed or don't listen and disaster will come</p> | <p>Scroll</p> <p>Jeremiah dictated</p> <p>Baruch wrote</p> <p>Baruch to deliver message</p> <p>Micaiah hears the message and takes it to the king's court</p> <p>Baruch reads to the officials</p> <p>Officials tell Baruch and Jeremiah to hide</p> <p>They tell the king about the scroll - the king burns it and is not afraid</p> <p>God tells Jeremiah to write another scroll</p> <p>God condemns the actions of Jehoiakim</p> | <p>Zedekiah asks Jeremiah to pray for them</p> <p>Jeremiah telling them that the Babylonians will destroy them</p> <p>He is beaten and put into prison</p> <p>Zedekiah asks him is there a word from the Lord?</p> | <p>Men want to kill Jeremiah because he is discouraging the fighting</p> <p>Threw Jeremiah into a cistern</p> <p>Ebed-melech rescued him from the pit</p> <p>Jeremiah tells Zedekiah to give himself over to the king of Babylon</p> | <p>587-586 BC - wall was breached</p> <p>Officials of Babylon sat in the gates</p> <p>Zedekiah trying to escape (4-7)</p> <p>Nebuzaradan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - leaves the poor people to tend the land (10) - To deal with Jeremiah as Jeremiah wants (12) |

| Chapter 40 | Chapter 41 | Chapter 42 | Chapter 43 | Chapter 44 |
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| <p>586 BC - after the fall</p> <p>Gedaliah was left in charge of the land (5)</p> <p>Jeremiah was allowed to return to the land (6)</p> <p>Ishmael is plotting to take Gedaliah's life (13-14)</p> <p>Gedaliah thinks they are lying to him (15-16)</p> | <p>Gedaliah is killed (1-3)</p> <p>A convoy of men came to see Gedaliah and they were killed by Ishmael's men</p> <p>Ishmael's men took hostages and fled to Ammon</p> <p>Johanan takes men to take back the captives and go after Ishmael</p> <p>The captives decide that they are going to run to Egypt</p> | <p>Jeremiah tells the people that God doesn't want them to go to Egypt - if they stay, He will plant them, strengthen them</p> <p>If they leave, they will die by sword, famine, and pestilence</p> <p>The people went to Egypt</p> | <p>The people go to Egypt - they tell Jeremiah that he is lying to them</p> <p>While in Egypt Jeremiah tells them that God is going to send Nebuchadnezzar into Egypt to destroy it</p> | <p>God's word to the people</p> <p>Why are you doing this?</p> <p>You know the wickedness of the people, you know the destruction I have brought</p> <p>I have set my face against you for woe (11)</p> <p>The people are convinced that they are not sinning and that they are right in offering sacrifices to the queen of heaven (Astoroth)</p> <p>God gives them over to their desires for destruction</p> |

Babylon and Judah

| Babylon's Beginning | Babylon's Sin | Babylon's Destruction | Fall of Judah |
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| <p>Ham - Cush - Nimrod Mighty one before the Lord Hunter Babel, Erech, Accad, Calneh, Assyria, Nineveh</p> <p>Build for themselves a city Tower to reach to heaven Make a name for ourselves Don't let God scatter us</p> <p>Confuses their language and then scatters them</p> | <p>Pride Self-centered Don't need to listen to God</p> <p>Enemy of Israel</p> <p>Worshipped false gods (Bel, Marduk)</p> <p>IN conflict with the Lord (50:24) Arrogant against the Lord (50:29)</p> | <p>Nations will come from the north</p> <p>Will be plunder</p> <p>Medes & Persians plunder Babylon</p> <p>God will punish her</p> <p>The nations rejoice (50:46)</p> <p>God used Babylon to destroy the nations - God will destroy them for their deeds</p> | <p>Chapter 52</p> <p>586 BC</p> <p>Zedekiah - Severe famine Walls broken down Fighting men fled by night Blinded and bound him and imprisoned him</p> <p>City and temple are burned Taken captive - poorest in the land</p> <p>Some left to tend the fields</p> <p>Everything carried to Babylon</p> |

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