

THE MESSAGE OF JEREMIAH

Introduction – Jeremiah's prophetic ministry covered a period of international upheaval and tragic defeat and exiling of Judah by Babylon.

Jeremiah 1:1-3

629 BC – King of Assyria dies and many countries rebel

622 BC – King Josiah of Judah discovers the scroll of the Law of God

612 BC – Assyrian capital of Nineveh falls to invaders

609 BC – King Josiah is killed in battle with the Egyptians

605 BC – The battle of Carchemish

597 BC – Jerusalem surrenders to Babylon

586 BC – The Temple and the city are destroyed and the people carried into exile by Babylon

A. Jeremiah's call and message (chapters 1-10)

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Jeremiah 3:6-10

B. God's Covenant (chapters 11-33)

Jeremiah 11:1-3

Jeremiah 16:1-4

Jeremiah 20:1-2

Jeremiah 26:11-13

Jeremiah 31:31-34

C. Narrative of the final days of Judah as a nation. (chapters 34-45)

1. Tells of Jeremiah's warnings to Kings Zedekiah and Jehoiachin, sons of Josiah.
2. Jeremiah is imprisoned and later put into a cistern to die.
3. After the conquest of Jerusalem by the Babylonians, he is released and later forced to go to Egypt by the remnant of Judah left behind.

D. God predicts the punishments on the pagan nations for their sins (chapters 46-52)

Conclusion – Jeremiah is called the weeping prophet because of all his suffering for preaching the Word of God.

Matthew 23:37-24:2

Matthew 28:18-20