

Message of Judgment

Book of Jeremiah

(Wednesday, August 10)

1. Who Wrote the Book of Jeremiah? (These are basic Bible Study questions to ask when you start studying a book of the Bible)

- A. Jeremiah who was born a priest and called to be a prophet in Anathoth (60 years after the death of Isaiah)
- B. Jeremiah was not allowed to marry (16:2)

2. When Did Jeremiah Write his Book?

Jeremiah preached during the final five decades of Judah (Kings Josiah, Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, and Zedekiah) 627-586 B.C. Jeremiah was a contemporary of Zephaniah, Habakkuk, Daniel and Ezekiel.

- A. Judah was deported in 605 BC by Babylon (Daniel was taken hostage)
- B. Judah was deported in 597 BC by Babylon (Ezekiel was taken hostage)
- C. Judah was deported in 586 BC by Babylon (The city of Jerusalem fell and destroyed)

3. Why Did Jeremiah Write his Book? Because God's people refused to repent and obey God's Word (Even after Israel fell to Assyria in 722 B.C.) Jeremiah 3:11

4. How Did Jeremiah Write his Book? His book is mostly a collection of his sermons dictated to his secretary Baruch (36:4)

I. Introduction (Chapter 1) (Jeremiah's ministry was both destructive and constructive 1:10))

II. Prophecies Concerning Judah (Chapters 2-45)

- A. Jeremiah's thirteen messages of divine judgment (2-25)
 - 1. *Nine general messages (2-20)*
 - 2. *Four specific messages (21-25)*
- B. Jeremiah's opposition (26-29)
 - 1. *Opposition from the people (26)*
 - 2. *Opposition from the false prophets in Jerusalem (27-28)*
 - 3. *Opposition from the false prophets in exile (29)*
- C. Future comfort for Israel and Judah (30-33)
- D. Present catastrophe of Judah (chapters 34-45)

III. Prophecies Concerning the Nations (Chapters 46-51)

IV. Conclusion (Chapter 52)