

# **Pastor's Bible Class**

**March 16, 2025**

## **The Second Sunday in Lent**

### **Hymn 423 "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary"**



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent

whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior  
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your  
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -

from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us  
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er

Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the  
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your  
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our

cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.  
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

### **Read Jeremiah 26:8-15**

1. What message had Jeremiah spoken according to the Lord's command? Read Jeremiah 26:1-7.

2. Shiloh was a city once honored with the presence of the Ark of the Covenant and Tabernacle where God "dwelt among mankind" (see I Samuel 4:4) but was subsequently left desolate. Why is Shiloh a fitting metaphor for Jerusalem?

3. For what "evil deeds" did Jeremiah prophecy punishment? See Jeremiah 26:4 and II Kings 23:36-37.

**Read Luke 13:31-35**

4. Why do “some Pharisees” warn Jesus about Herod?
5. How does Jesus respond to this “warning” and what does this tell us about His mission?
6. What does Jesus mean here by His use of “the third day” in describing His course?
7. What is the historical irony in Jesus’ statement that “it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem...”?
8. Why does Jesus repeat the subject of His lament: “Jerusalem, Jerusalem...”? Read II Samuel 18:33 and Luke 10:41-42 to understand His intentional use of repetition.
9. What is meant by the comment, “Behold, your house is forsaken”?
10. The final remark of Jesus in this text looks ahead. To what is Jesus pointing and what are the significance of these words? See Psalm 118:26.
11. In what ways is Jesus the fulfillment of the Old Testament office of Prophet? See Deuteronomy 18:15; Matthew 17:5; Mark 1:38.
12. How is the work of this preaching office carried out today? See Luke 10:16.

**Devotional Thought (From The Lutheran Study Bible)**

God sends Jeremiah to warn the people about the destruction of Jerusalem and its temple due to their sin. If they confess their sin, God will forgive them and spare them. For Jeremiah’s faithful proclamation, he is arrested and tried for treason (a capital crime). Hard hearts resist every overture of mercy from God and ignore all His warnings of impending judgment. God’s heart longs to forgive sinners, even though they resist His Word and murder His prophets. Today, know that the Lord has set His heart on you. Call upon Him in repentance and faith, through Christ (TLSB, 1249).

**Prayer**

Father, open our ears to hear you clearly and lead us every day in the way of faith and obedience, through Jesus Christ. Amen.