

Wednesday Night, Survey Service: Week 61**Jeremiah 33-48****Hebrews 8-11****Jeremiah 33: Good will come to Israel****Key Point:**

God's promises are as certain as night and day, or the stars in the sky, so His promise to preserve the Jewish people is absolute no matter how they sin or how the critics perceive them.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 33:14 (NLT)

"The day will come, says the Lord, when I will do for Israel and Judah all the good things I have promised them.

Jeremiah 34: Going back on releasing slaves**Key Point:**

God demands fairness, even when a person sells themselves into bondage, but if the elite will exploit the poor, God's judgment is inevitable.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 34:17 (NLT)

"Therefore, this is what the Lord says: Since you have not obeyed me by setting your countrymen free, I will set you free to be destroyed by war, disease, and famine. You will be an object of horror to all the nations of the earth.

Jeremiah 35: The Recabites**Key Point:**

When we commit to serve God, and follow through, God will bless us in that commitment.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 35:14 (NLT)

The Recabites do not drink wine to this day because their ancestor Jehonadab told them not to. But I have spoken to you again and again, and you refuse to obey me.

Jeremiah 36: Jehoiakim burns the scroll**Key Point:**

You can ignore God's word, burn it and try to silence His messengers, but God's word will not be hindered and those who seek to stop it will themselves be cut off.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 36:25 (NLT)

Even when Elnathan, Delaiah, and Gemariah begged the king not to burn the scroll, he wouldn't listen.

Jeremiah 37: Jeremiah arrested**Key Point:**

The disobedient and unrepentant will deal harshly with God's servants but turn to them in the day of their distress also.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 37:14 (NLT)

"That's not true!" Jeremiah protested. "I had no intention of doing any such thing." But Irijah wouldn't listen, and he took Jeremiah before the officials.

Jeremiah 38: Spineless Zedekiah**Key Point:**

It is not enough to know the truth if you will not make the courage to do what it says.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 38:20 (NLT)

Jeremiah replied, "You won't be handed over to them if you choose to obey the Lord. Your life will be spared, and all will go well for you.

Jeremiah 39: Zed falls to Neb**Key Point:**

God's promises are certain to come to pass, even if that is not exactly as we would have thought it would happen.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 39:6 (NLT)

The king of Babylon made Zedekiah watch as he slaughtered his sons at Riblah. The king of Babylon also slaughtered all the nobles of Judah

Jeremiah 40: Jeremiah stays in Judah**Key Point:**

There is always a remnant and, if the remnant will be obedient to the Lord, they will find provision even in the midst of judgment and destruction.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 40:6 (NLT)

So Jeremiah returned to Gedaliah son of Ahikam at Mizpah, and he lived in Judah with the few who were still left in the land.

Jeremiah 41: Gedaliah assassinated

Key Point:

Atrocity and judgment can humble people but the corrupt of heart will find their own savagery unleashed. Either way, God is shown just in His judgments.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 41:2 (NLT)

Ishmael and his ten men suddenly jumped up, drew their swords, and killed Gedaliah, whom the king of Babylon had appointed governor.

Jeremiah 42: Sure! We will listen now

Key Point:

If you seek to know what God would have you do, and swear you'll obey, do NOT look for God's word with a hypocritical heart or judgment may be severe.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 42:6 (NLT)

Whether we like it or not, we will obey the Lord our God to whom we are sending you with our plea. For if we obey him, everything will turn out well for us."

Jeremiah 43: Going to Egypt anyway

Key Point:

Those who refuse to heed the Word of God will see the justice of God revealed to them.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 43:7 (NLT)

The people refused to obey the voice of the Lord and went to Egypt, going as far as the city of Tahpanhes.

Jeremiah 44: God's word will stand

Key Point:

People often refuse to learn from the lessons of the past and too often blame God for their troubles instead of looking at the work of their own lives.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 44:28 (NLT)

Only a small number will escape death and return to Judah from Egypt. Then all those who came to Egypt will find out whose words are true—mine or theirs!

Jeremiah 45: I will tear down**Key Point:**

It's easy to get worn out and daydream about great things for yourself, but we need to put our trust in God and be content with the life He preserves for us.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 45:4 (NLT)

“Baruch, this is what the Lord says: ‘I will destroy this nation that I built. I will uproot what I planted.

Jeremiah 46: A horsefly is coming**Key Point:**

God is at work in history. He brings up nations and tears them down again so we, His people, should not fear because He will preserve us.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 46:20 (NLT)

Egypt is as sleek as a beautiful heifer, but a horsefly from the north is on its way!

Jeremiah 47: Philistia will fall**Key Point:**

The judgment of God is certain, and those who experience it will feel like there is no hope.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 47:4 (NLT)

“The time has come for the Philistines to be destroyed, along with their allies from Tyre and Sidon. Yes, the Lord is destroying the remnant of the Philistines, those colonists from the island of Crete.

Jeremiah 48: Moab will fall**Key Point:**

God's judgment will fall, even on nations that do not acknowledge Him as God.

Key Verse - Jeremiah 48:42 (NLT)

Moab will no longer be a nation, for it has boasted against the Lord.

Hebrews 8: New covenant is better

Key Point:

Our eternal life, obtained by faith in Jesus, offers us a transformation of the heart, intimacy with God, and complete cleansing from sin – so we have a great obligation to pursue holiness and fruitfulness.

Key Verse - Hebrews 8:6 (NLT)

But now Jesus, our High Priest, has been given a ministry that is far superior to the old priesthood, for he is the one who mediates for us a far better covenant with God, based on better promises.

Hebrews 9: Once to die for sanctification

Key Point:

No one can relationally connect with God through any physical, ritual means, but Jesus offered His physical blood in a spiritual way so we now can connect with God directly through Him.

Key Verse - Hebrews 9:27 – 28 (NLT)

And just as each person is destined to die once and after that comes judgment, 28 so also Christ was offered once for all time as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again, not to deal with our sins, but to bring salvation to all who are eagerly waiting for him.

Hebrews 10: His body, our offering

Key Point:

Since Jesus' sacrifice for us is perfect, we can have every confidence to draw near in our hearts and minds to God.

Key Verse - Hebrews 10:10 (NLT)

For God's will was for us to be made holy by the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ, once for all time.

Hebrews 11: Faith

Key Point:

Faith, that is – trust in God that His promises are true – gives substance to our hope of being saved and is the evidence that what we don't see in the present will come to pass as God brings it about.

Key Verse - Hebrews 11:1 (NLT)

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.