

Jeremiah 47-48 – 31 August 2014

Examples of learning Background information:

- Get a new iPhone and someone shows you a shortcut button.
- Football team kicking a 2-point conversion.
- The things that make someone say, “I didn’t know you can do that”.

Let me give you three good reasons to learn about the nations that surround Israel.

- 1) **We learn from their sins how better to honor God.**
 - We learn personally*
 - King Hiram helping David
- 2) **Old Testament stories about Israel and the events will fit together & make more sense.**
 - Old Testament makes more sense*
 - Shem, Ham and Japheth
- 3) **End times prophecy will be a lot easier to understand.**
 - Eschatology comes clear*
 - Moab is told, “Let my outcast dwell with thee”.

Chapter 47 – Philistines

- Vs 1

- Pharaoh smote Gaza in 609 when he killed Josiah.
- The Philistines:
 - Canaan's brother Mizraim had Caphtor and Casluhim of whom come the Philistines IAW Gen 10 and I Chr 1.
 - Came from Caphtor (Crete): These "Sea People" had many great battles w/ Egypt.
 - Under Joshua: the tribe of Dan wouldn't drive them out.
 - Gave King David fits. (Goliath, taking the Ark of the Covenant, etc)
 - Now here, God prophesies of their ruin to come around 580 at the hands of Nebu.
 - Their ultimate fall would come around 165BC at the hands of the Maccabees.

- Vs 2-7

- Other prophecies of Philistine destruction are recorded in:
 - Amos 1:6-8 (Around 750BC of destruction)

- Isa 14:28-31 (Don't rejoice b/c Assyria is off your back, your destruction is coming)
- Zeph 2:4-7 (In the days of Josiah)
- Eze 25:15-17 (Same as in Jeremiah)

Chapter 48 – Moab

- Vs 1
 - Moab and Ammon came from Lot and his daughter IAW Gen 19:31-38
 - Moab has always been against Israel and Judah even from the wilderness wanderings
 - Mount Nebo in Moab is where Moses viewed the Promised Land from.
 - King Balak of Moab was the one who hired Balaam to curse Israel (Num 22)
 - Judges had to rid Israel of Eglon king of Moab.
 - Ruth came to Israel during this contention time from Moab.
 - Enemies thru the time of David; “Moab is my washpot” (Psa 60:8)

- There is an interesting prophecy of Moab actually helping Israel in the future in Isa 15-16
 - Isaiah wrote this about 110 years before Jeremiah's time (Read 16:4)
 - Rev 12:1-6, 13-17

- Vs 2

- This judgment is placed on Moab from the Lord for their treatment of Judah in siding with Babylon (see II Kings 24:1-2)
- “O madmen” – II Kings 3 – King of Moab sacrificed his own son to turn the tide of war against Israel.

- Vs 3-8

- I love it when the Lord uses a word like “because”: see verse 7
- Your good works, your money and your religion are totally useless.
 - So many strive for these futilities.

- Vs 9-10

- People better flee b/c land will be destroyed.
- Those called of the Lord to destroy better do it or they'll be cursed.

- Eze 25:10 says it “the people of the east” that is Babylon.
- Deceitfully can be translated slothfully or with slackness.
- Vs 11-12
 - They haven’t grown, they’ve just settled in comfort.
 - We need to push ahead and work hard.
 - Phil 3:13-14 – press ahead.
 - Luke 19:13 – Occupy until I come.
 - Like the movie “Wally”.
 - Vs 12 – The very thing you’re comfortable in, the Lord may just take away.
- Vs 13 – Bethel was where Jeroboam set one of the two golden calves for false worship.
- Vs 14-24
 - This Bozrah is a city of Moab, not the better known city of Bozrah in Edom that we’ll talk about next time when we get into Edom.
 - Who is this that comes with dyed garments from Bozrah?
- Vs 25-26 – The pride of man rearing its ugly head.

- Vs 27 – Moab scoffed when Judah was judged by Babylon.
- Vs 28-34 – Even the surrounding nations would now scoff at them.
- Vs 35-36 – Gain whole world & loss you own soul?
- Vs 37-42
 - Moab destroyed from “being” a people, better to say, Moab destroyed from having people.
 - Confer Isa 7:8
 - This is the 2nd time it’s said that Moab ‘hath magnified himself against the Lord’.
- Vs 43-47
 - Many nations God declares that he will bring them back from their captivity.
 - But only two nations does He say that this will be in the “latter days” Moab and Elam (Persia)
 - God has plans for this two judged nations in the end days.
 - Persia to come again Israel.
 - Moab to hide Israel from the Anti-Christ