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JEREMIAH

Hope for Stubborn Hearts



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# STUDY 1

## JEREMIAH 1: GOD CALLS JEREMIAH

Have you ever been in such a bad situation, that the only remedy was a complete redo?

Chapter 1 is the cheat sheet for the whole book. We meet the main characters and hear the core message.

Read out Jer 1. As you listen, draw emojis/faces to reflect how Jeremiah may have felt as he heard his calling.

**Text tips:** **Anathoth** small town a few km NE of Jerusalem. **Josiah, Jerhoiakim, Zedekiah** see Extras:Rulers. **Captivity of Jerusalem** It fell in 586BC see Extras. **Almond branch** in Hebrew sounds like 'watching over'. **Youth** Jeremiah was likely c14. **Judah**, the southern part (and at this time only remaining) part of God's people. The North split off and then was defeated by the Assyrians in 722BC, **Boiling pot** an image of Judah's enemies to the North, at risk of spilling destruction over them. **heritage (12:14)** land



## The Main Characters

1. What do we learn about:

- a. Jeremiah
- b. The LORD
- c. Judah

Who are they, what will they do & why?

## 2. Jesus & Jeremiah:

- a. In what ways does Jeremiah remind you of Jesus?
- b. In what ways will Jesus do what God does in Jeremiah?

## The Main Message

3. **Jeremiah 1:10** encapsulates Jeremiah's mission and echoes through the book. Understand its phrases better by looking up the verses below and answering (unless greyed out): who is this section about, what will happen & why?

	'pluck up & break down'	'destroy & overthrow'	'to build and to plant'
8:12			
12:14-17			
18:5-11			
24:4-7			



4. In light of the table, summarise Jeremiah's mission in 1:10 in your own words:

5. **Thinking deeper**....choose 1-2 to discuss:

a. God's city fell (1:3)—had he lost control? How does Jeremiah 1 answer that, and how does it shape our trust in God with world events?

b. Is it more comforting or confronting that through Jeremiah God judged his own people? Does he still do this today (c.f. Rom 8:1, 14:10-12)?

c. God sends Jeremiah to speak hard truths. What place should that have in our church and relationships? What are the dangers of only being positive—or only critical?

d. What does it show about God that he would use a man like Jeremiah for his mission? What challenge is this for us?

**Pray:** Thank God that for his sovereign, just, care of his people and his world. Thank God that he Jesus he took judgment on himself to plant his people in a new land.

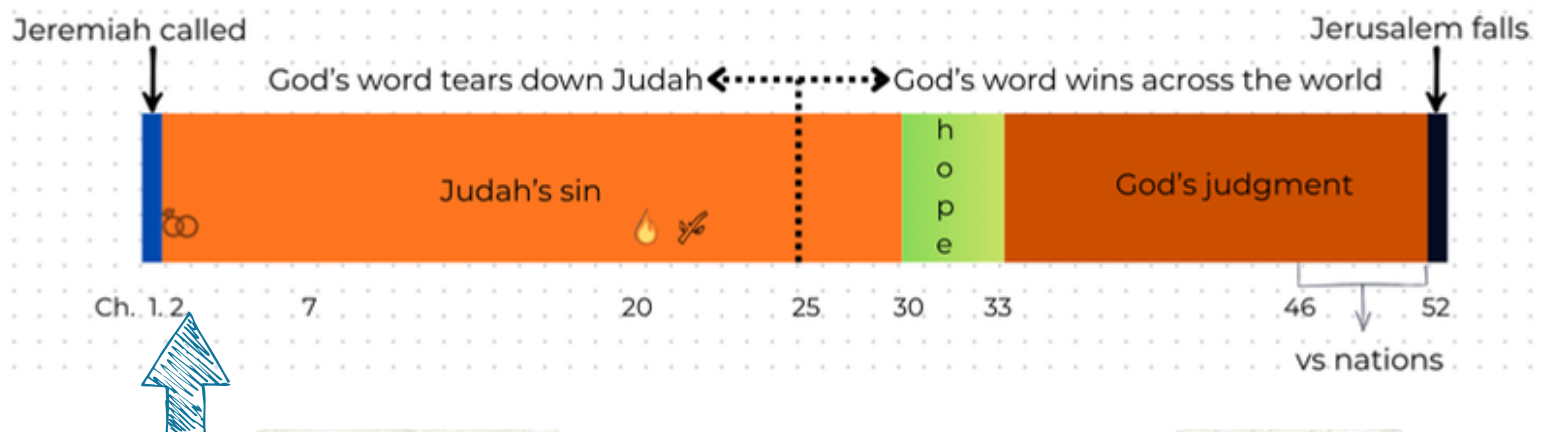


# STUDY 2

## JEREMIAH 2: FORSAKING THE FOUNTAIN

When have you felt most thirsty in your life? What did you do about it?

The structure of Jeremiah can be hard to tie down. The diagram below helps us put some pegs in the ground.



Read out Jeremiah 2:1-19. As you listen, list the phrases that describe how Judah has treated the LORD their God

**Text tips:** **Jerusalem** Judah' capital **house of Jacob** God's people, here esp. Judah. **All the clans...** God's people, inc. the North (Israel was Jacob's dad). **Egypt** where God rescued his people from in the Exodus. **Heritage** the promised land. **Shepherds** the leaders. **Baal** native pagan God. **Cyprus** i.e. West. **Kedar** nomadic tribe to the far east. **Cistern** pit/tank for water storage. **Lions** image of enemies. **Memphis and Tahpanhes** two cities in Egypt. **Shaved...head** enslaved you. **Assyria** see Extras: Timeline - the superpower before Babylon.

1. What image does the LORD use for his relationship with Judah (vs2)?
  - a. How has God treated them?
  - b. How have Judah treated him?
  - c. "They did not say..." how did the LORD want his people to treat him (vs 1-8)?

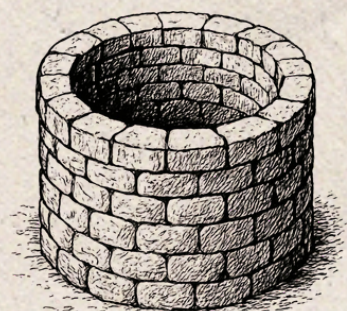
2. In **verses 9-19**, what central image does the LORD use to describe Judah's unfaithfulness?

In groups...

3. From 1-19, how have God's people:
  - a. forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters?
  - b. hewn out broken cisterns that hold no water?

4. Rewrite verse 13 in plain, non-symbolic language.

5. Where does **Jesus** say we should "drink" from (John 4:7-14; 7:37-39)?
6. How does he achieve what Jeremiah didn't —enabling people to have wholehearted love for God?



## Drink it in...

This passage challenges God's people to keep relying on God for life, security and safety and not to go to the other 'cisterns' the world says we should drink from.



Choose 1-2 questions from below & discuss in pairs:

1. If someone looked at your life, what would they say you really depend on?

2. Was there a time when your love for God was more whole-hearted? What changed?

3. Share a time when you have been deeply 'refreshed' by what Jesus has done for you.

4. In what ways are you tempted to blame circumstances for the state of your relationship with God? Is there a chance that it is actually spiritual drift underneath?

5. If one thing is shaping you more than God's word at the moment, what is it?

6. When have you seen the way Jesus gives true life in a way the world doesn't?

**Pray** Ask God to keep enabling us to drink in the life we can have in Jesus.

# STUDY 3

## JEREMIAH 1-19: 'O MY HEART!'

*In pairs: discuss a time (real or general) when someone let you down. What do you think was the heart of the problem?*



Jeremiah, particularly ch1-19, reads like a collage:

- Different text types (history, letters, sermons, poetry),
- From different times (it's not in chronological order),
- In different voices (is Jeremiah speaking? Is it the LORD? sometimes it seems like both!)

To grasp it fully, we need to step back, keep reading and take in the whole picture.

In this study, we'll zoom out and ask: what do chapters 1-19 reveal about the human heart? We'll do a word study of the word 'heart'. It won't give us the whole picture (word studies never do), but it's a start.

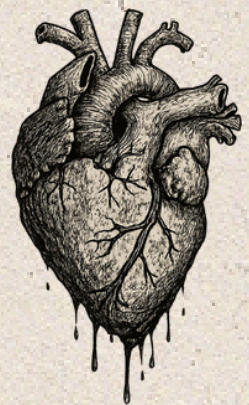
Using a bible-search tool (e.g. in the ESV app or BibleGateway.com), list all the references to **'heart'** in Jeremiah 1-19. Divide these among pairs/triplets and answer the following for each verse:

1. What's the wider section talking about?
2. Who's heart is on view?
3. What are we told about their heart?

Record your answers and report back to the group.

### **Pulling the threads together...**

- What words/ideas are repeated? or surprising?
- What one word would you choose to describe Israel's heart? What about the LORD's heart?
- Is there hope of a change of heart in Israel?
- In 2s/3s take time to discuss: where do you see elements of Judah's heart in your own behaviour? Try and be as concrete as you feel comfortable with. What do you need to repent of? What do you need to trust about God's heart?



### **God's heart in Jesus**

How do we see the same heart of God in Jesus' words & actions? (see Matt 11:28-29, Matt 23:37-39)

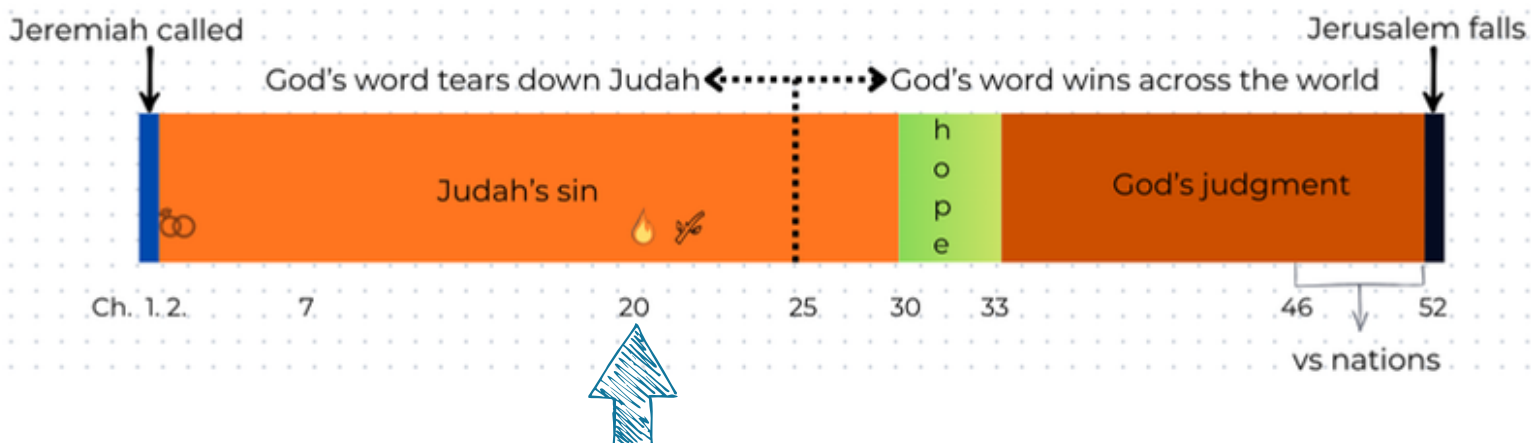
**Pray** Ask God to help us see his heart, and ours, more clearly.

# STUDY 4

## JEREMIAH 20: MAN OF SORROWS

When life is hard, what questions do you find yourself asking God?

It's time to get better acquainted with Jeremiah himself. In ch 20 he lifts the lid on his inner life as a suffering servant of God.



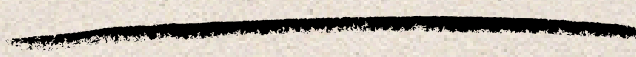
Read out Jeremiah 20:1-18. As you listen, jot down any repeated words.

**Text tips:** **Stocks** literally 'twisting place', likely a torture device. **Babylon** the rising superpower of the day, see Extras: Timeline. 20:4 is the 1<sup>st</sup> of 151 references to 'Babylon' in the book.

1. What types of **opposition** is Jeremiah facing in 20:1-10? (c.f. 4:19; 11:18-19; 12:6; 18:18; 26:8-11; 37:15-16; 38:6)

2. In Ch 20, where do you see Jeremiah's **anguish**? Where do you see his **confidence** in God? Do you think one outweighs the other? Why?

3. In verse 9, Jeremiah describes God's word as "a **fire shut up in my bones.**" In context, is this meant to be positive, negative, or both?



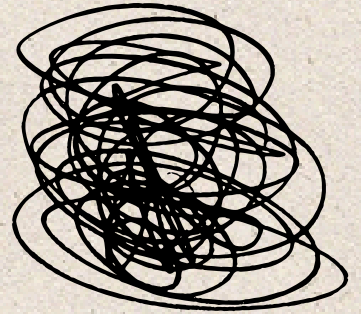
4. Read either Matthew 26:36-46 or 27:32-50. Where in this passage do we see **Jesus' anguish** in his mission and his **confidence** in God?

5. How do Jesus' words and actions **deepen** or reshape what we see in Jeremiah?



## Locking it in...

- What does it look like to hold **anguish and confidence in God** together? Who have you seen do this well?



- When suffering comes (now or in the future), what truths do you want to **hold onto**?
- What kind of opposition or cost do you **most fear**? How do Jeremiah and Jesus help you face that?

**Pray** Ask God to enable you to bring your anguish to him and grow a deep gratitude for Christ's suffering for us.

# STUDY 5

## SERVE SUNDAY: ROMANS 12

*This coming Sunday is Serve Sunday, and it presents us with a precious opportunity to pause and think together about why Christians serve and how we can use our whole lives for the making of disciples for the glory of our King Jesus.*

*This study will guide your group through Romans 12:1–8, inviting us to marvel at God's incredible mercies, offer our whole lives to him, and live a transformed life in the church and the world.*

### **Read Romans 12:1-8**

1. Glance back at Romans 1-11, and have a go at summarising the 'mercies of God'.
2. What does living in response to God's mercies look like, and how is it remarkable?
3. How does the world try to shape our values, priorities, and lives, and how can we resist being conformed to it?
4. What happens as our minds are renewed?
5. In what ways do the incredible 'mercies of God' push you to live a life of sacrifice and service?

6. According to verse 3, what does gospel-shaped thinking look like?
  
7. In a culture that says “be yourself” and “do your own thing,” what is different about Paul’s vision of being part of one body in Christ?
  
8. Based on what we just discussed, how do these truths shape the way we serve and build up others in our local church and the wider church family?
  
9. What do we learn about gifts in verses 6–8? Who gives them? Who are they for?
  
10. If offering ourselves to God also means giving ourselves fully to one another for the good and growth of each other, what might it look like for you to serve and build up people in this church family and beyond?

How might you give yourself fully to God and to others this year? We long to see the good news of Jesus move us to joyful and sacrificial service for the glory of Christ and the spread of the gospel.

Scan the QR code to join one of our teams.

Pray together, asking God to help us give ourselves fully to Him and to one another, serving and building each other up for the good and growth of His people.

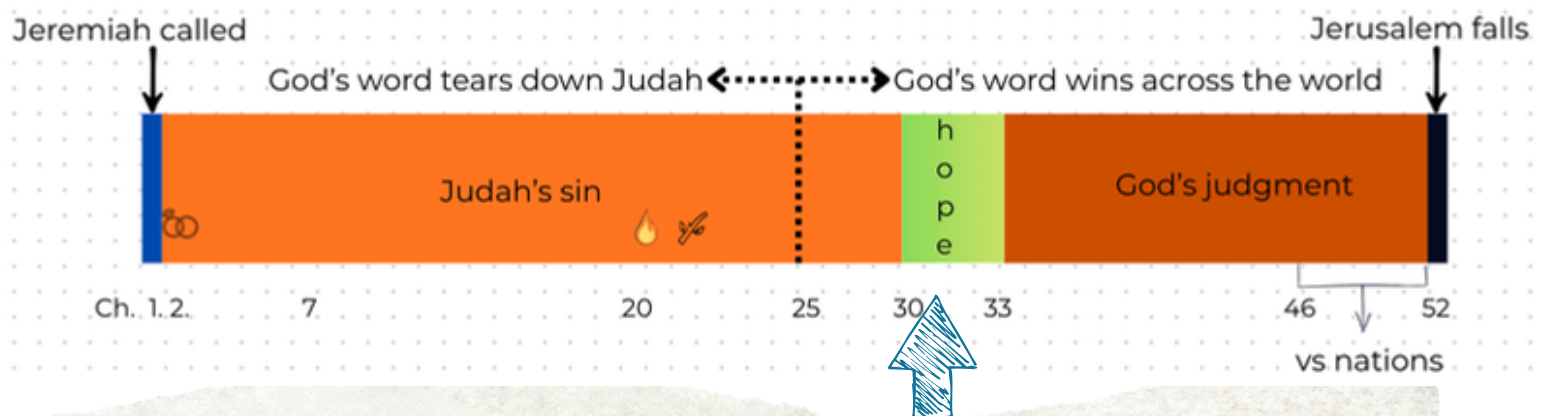


# STUDY 6

## JEREMIAH 31: THE BOOK OF HOPE

What do you think is more effective at changing people? Punishing them or forgiving them?

Here comes hope! We've reached the 'book of hope' within Jeremiah, aka chapters 30-33



Jeremiah 30:1-3 introduces the Book of Hope. From these verses, what promises do you think will take centre stage?

Jeremiah then gives six short songs, each beginning "Thus says the LORD" (30:5, 12, 18; 31:2, 7, 15). Read songs 2 & 3 (Jeremiah 30:12-24) & list what the LORD says 'I will' do...

**Text tips:** **lovers** objects of Israel's spiritual adultery: foreign powers and their gods. **Zion** Jerusalem. **Jacob** ancestor of God's people. **Restore the fortunes** bring back to 16 blessing. A repeated phrase in this section of Jeremiah.

1. Split and share...For song 2 (30:12-17) and song 3 (30:18-24):

- What situation are God's people in? How God will **'restore their fortunes'**?
- what title would you give your song?

2. After the 6 songs, **Jeremiah wakes up** (see 31:26).

But how will these dreams come true? Read

**Jeremiah 31:31-34.**

- How is the new covenant different from the old?
- Which verse would you argue is the climax of this section?

**Read Hebrews 10:11-18.**

3. How is Jesus different to the OT priests (c.f Heb 1:3)?

4. How does Jesus' work **fulfil** each of the promises of Jeremiah 31:31-34 (c.f. Col 1:9-14)?

*old*

*new*

*Jeremiah  
promised:*

*Jesus  
achieved:*



### Letting it sink in...

How do you think Jeremiah would **react** to reading Hebrews 10:11-18?

What difference can it make knowing you are **fully forgiven** by God? (c.f. Hebrews 10:19-25)

What difference does it make having his laws '**written on our minds**' (c.f. Rom 12:1-2)?

**Pray** Praise God for Christ's work, bringing in a new covenant by his blood shed on the cross!

# STUDY 7

## JEREMIAH 32: BUY THE FIELD

What's the best investment you've ever made? What made it so good?

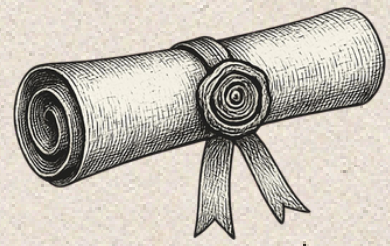
Jeremiah 32 takes the promises of Jeremiah 31 (& 33) and puts them into practice...in the property market



Read Jeremiah 32. What different text types/styles do you notice?

**Text tips:** **Zedekiah** see Extras:Rulers **Chaldeans** Babylonians. **Anathoth** Jeremiah's home town (1:1). **Right of redemption** Under OT law, if you needed to sell your land, you could compel the next relative in line to buy it - to keep that part of the promised land in your particular family/tribe. **Baruch** Jeremiah's scribe side-kick. **Baal** Canaanite god **Valley of the Son of Hinnom** place of child sacrifice to pagan god **Molech**. 19 **Shephelah...Negeb** regions of Judah.

## Chapter survey...



1. It's a long chapter...but it has distinct parts. How do you see the chapter breaking up?

2. In this chapter, Jeremiah buys a field. What makes this action so **extraordinary**?

3. What is the impact of all the detail in vs 9-15?

(**Bonus:** What is the guts of Jeremiah's question for God in 16-25?)

(**Bonus:** How does 26-35 flesh out what we have already learnt about *why* Jerusalem will be destroyed?)

## Digging deeper...

4. How are the **promises** of 36-44 similar to those we saw in 31:31-34? How do they differ?

5. What point is the LORD making by getting Jeremiah to buy the field? Summarise it in 1 sentence.

6. Could God just have restored Jerusalem at this point? Or did he have to destroy it first?



### Looking forward to a better land...

7. Read Luke 12:32-34 (see verse 22 for context):

- What promise is God really **looking forward** to keeping in this passage?
- In this passage, what does it look like to **trust** that promise?

### Letting it sink in (choose 2)

8. How would the life of someone who is **'buying fields'** in this world, look different to someone 'buying fields' in the world to come?

9. What **kingdom** things do you have the opportunity to invest in at the moment? What could it look like to step in that direction?

10. Which of God's promises help you invest in **kingdom priorities and projects**, even if it looks really foolish now?

**Pray** Praise God that his promises are bankable and that we have a new land to look forward to. Ask him to enable us to better 'invest in' the world that is to come with our time, energy, money and priorities.



# STUDY 8

## JEREMIAH 36: ALL RIPPED UP

*How much has it rung true in your life that 'our attitude to God's word is our attitude to God'?*

*What happens when the king who's meant to love God's word, rips it to shreds...*



*There are many 'bad guys' in Jeremiah, but the baddest is King Jehoiakim. To see a picture of how bad he is, let's see what a king in Israel was meant to be like. Read Deuteronomy 17:18-20. What qualities determined whether an Israelite king was good or bad? add these qualities to the king-scale below:*

A bad king will:

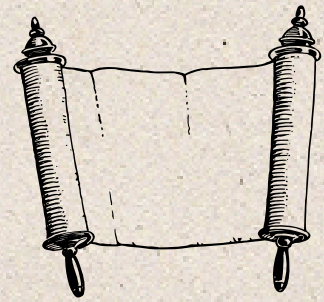
A good king will:



## The kings of Jeremiah

Read about the **kings** who reigned during Jeremiah and place them on the king-scale.

- King Josiah: 2 Kings 23:1-3, 21-25
- King Jehoahaz: 2 Kings 23:31-34
- King Jehoiakim: 2 Kings 23:36-37
- King Jehoiachin: 2 Kings 24:8-13
- King Zedekiah: 2 Kings 24:18-20



(For more info, see Extras:Rulers)

## Read Jeremiah 36:1-3 & 20-32

1. What does King Jehoiakim do with Jeremiah's scroll? How would you summarise his **attitude** to God's word?
2. Why was it **so crucial** for Jehoiakim (and every King of Judah) to listen to God's word? What was at risk? (c.f Deut 17, Jer 36:3)

(**Bonus:** is it similarly important for our political leaders today to listen to God's word? Why/why not?)

### **Pulling the threads together**

3. How Deut 17:18-20 and 2 Kings 23:36-37 impact our **impressions of Jehoiakim** from Jeremiah 36?

4. How does this shredding episode contribute to the case that Judah's sin was **'incurable'** and 'flagrant' (Jer 30:15) and so destruction was required?

### **A king comparison**

5. Let's compare Jehoiakim and Jesus, what did Jesus do with God's word? (e.g. Hebrews 1:1-3, John 1:1-3, Matt 4:1-4, Rev 19:11-13) What would be **at risk** if Jesus didn't listen to God's word?

6. How does Jesus **help us** listen to God's word?

7. What are some possible signs that you are leaning away from listening to God's word? (c.f. Hebrews 3:12-15) What techniques do we use to avoid hearing it?

8. How would you like to change your **attitude** to and **habits** with God's word?

**Pray** Praise God that he speaks to us. Ask him to enable us to always love listening and learning from him.

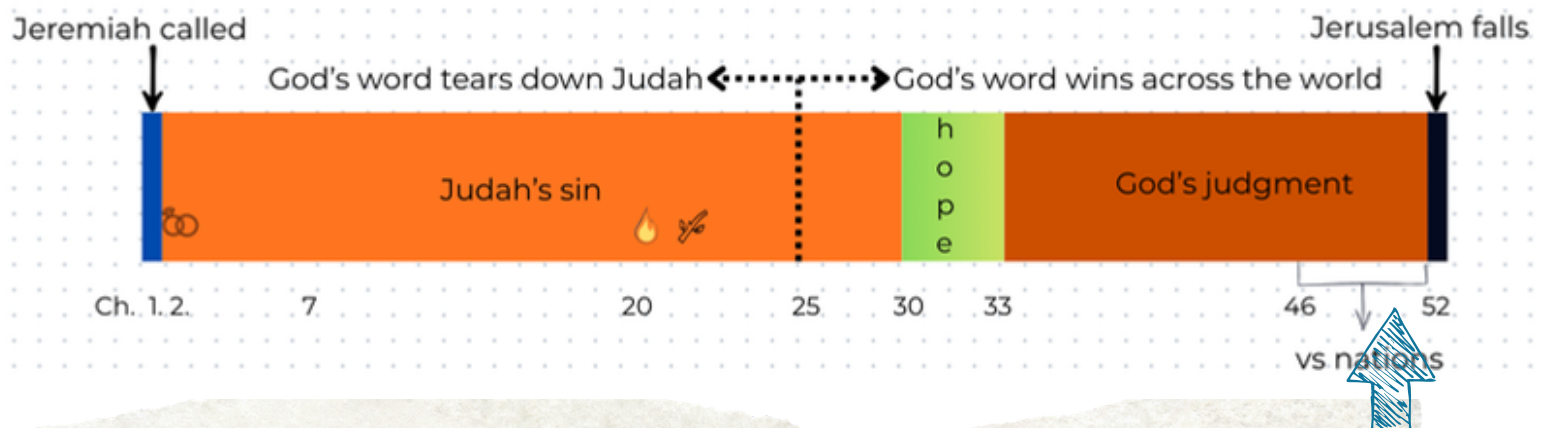


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## JEREMIAH 50: BABYLON WILL FALL

When have you seen a powerful person or organisation brought low? How did you feel about it?

In 1:10, the LORD set Jeremiah 'over nations and kingdoms'. In ch46-51 he prophesies against the nations each in turn, finishing with...BABYLON



Read Jeremiah 50:1-20. Note those phrases that emphasise the destruction coming against Babylon...

**Text tips:** Babylon/Chaldeans world superpower 612-539BC see Extras:Timeline. **Bel & Merodach** Babylonian gods. **out of the North** i.e. Persia **Zion** Jerusalem **Israel/Judah** North/South Israel **Israel (vs 17)** the whole of Israel: North and South. **Assyria** previous superpower, defeated Israel in 722BC, conquered by Babylon in 612BC. **Carmel, Bashan, Ephraim, Gilead** regions of Israel known for their rich resources

## Explore...

1. What are all the things God announces about Babylon in this passage—and **why will it fall?**
2. In verses 6–7, how are God’s people described? Why would God mention their failure while talking about Babylon’s judgment?
3. What does God promise his people in verses 17–20? Which promise **stands out** to you?



## Compare

5. Read **Revelation 18:1-5**. What similarities are there to Jeremiah 50:1-20? How is it different?
6. **At the cross**, what kind of 'banner' or announcement did Jesus give to all those forces set against God? (cf Jer 50:2, Col 2:15)

## Reflect

7. What does Jeremiah 50 teach us about the **"superpowers"** of this world—then and now? Why is a prophet from the backwaters of Israel able to pronounce judgment on the nations?
8. What might it look like for you to **"flee** from Babylon" (Jer 50:8; Rev 18:4) in real life?

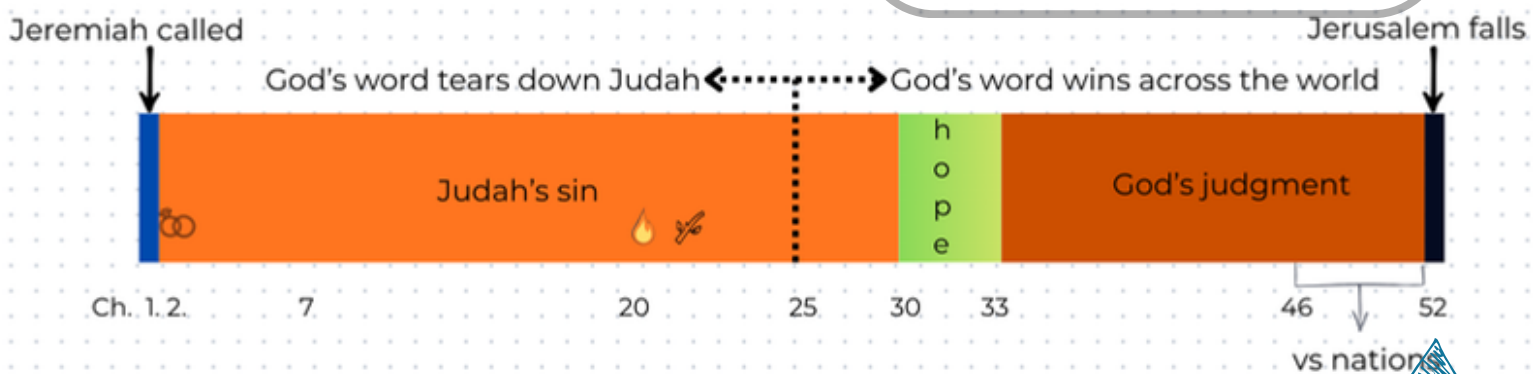
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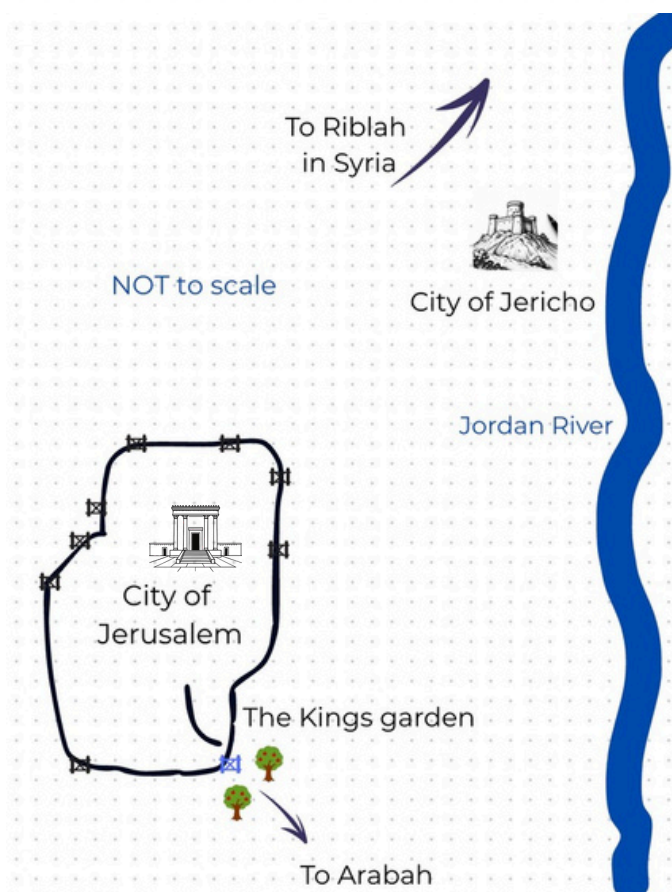
## JEREMIAH 52: JERUSALEM FALLS

Have you ever been waiting for something terrible to happen, and then it finally did?

Chapter 52 acts like the postcredit scene in a movie. After so many warnings, the worst punishment does finally come: Jerusalem falls.



Read Jeremiah 52 & track the events on the map:

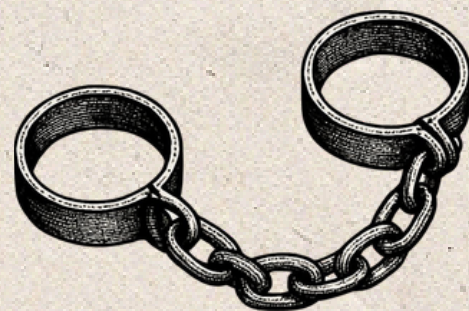


## Explore

1. Why do you think the book of Jeremiah **ends** with this historical account rather than more prophecy?
2. Summarise the key stages of what happens in this chapter.
  - what details show how complete the destruction is?
  - are there any flickers of hope? (c.f. Matt 1:12 Jeconiah = Jeconiahchin)

## Reflect

3. What does this chapter show us about **God's faithfulness** to his people, his character and his promises?
4. What do we learn about ignoring God over time?
5. How does the **fall of Jerusalem** help us see what sin deserves?



**Text tips:** **Zedekiah** see Extras:Rulers. **Pillars of Bronze, Bronze see etc** special furniture in the temple (see 1 Kings 7:21-31) **Riblah** city in Syria which Babylonian king Nebuchadnezzar used as a military base. **Jehoiachin** see Extras:Rulers

## Compare

7. Read **Revelation 21:9–14 & 21:22–22:5**. List the ways this Jerusalem (and its people) different from the Jerusalem we see in Jeremiah—especially in chapter 52?



## Apply

*Jeremiah finishes with Jerusalem in ruins and a hint of hope in a spared king.*

*Revelation finishes with King Jesus on the throne and a new Jerusalem of people renewed in their relationship with God.*

8. Choose 1-2 to discuss:

- God kept his promise to judge Jerusalem. How should that shape the way we respond to his **warnings** today?
- Jeremiah 52 shows the real cost of **stubborn hearts** to God. What sins are easy for you (or us as a church) to minimise or normalise?
- What aspect of the new Jerusalem are you most **looking forward to**?
- What promise of God do you most want to **hold onto** at the moment?

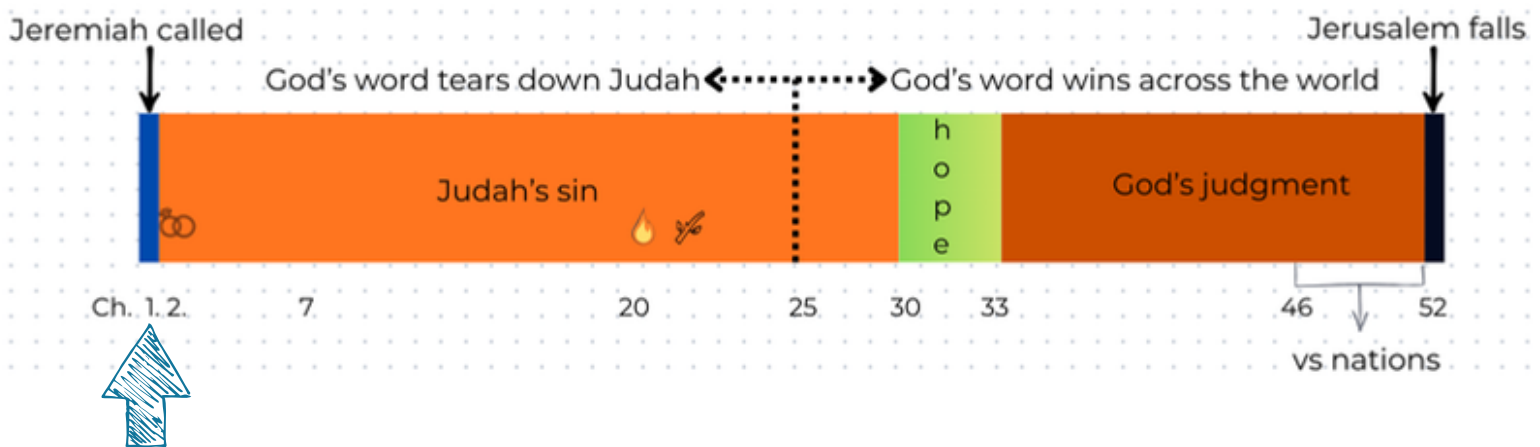
**Pray** Praise God he keeps his promises, ask him to enable us to be faithful to him.

# STUDY 11

## JEREMIAH 1: BACK TO THE HEART

What has most challenged, surprised or stuck with you from the book of Jeremiah?

Now we know the end of the story, lets revisit the start and see how far we've come.



Reading Jeremiah 1. As you listen, make notes and then discuss: what stands out more than when we began/last time?

## Explore

1. What does God's word **do** in this passage?
2. Looking back, did God keep his promises in this passage? Which parts have we seen **fulfilled**?
3. Look at your summary sentence for the book from Study#1 (drawing on 1:10). Anything you'd change about it?
4. In light of what we've seen throughout the book, is Jeremiah **successful** in the mission he's given in chapter 1?

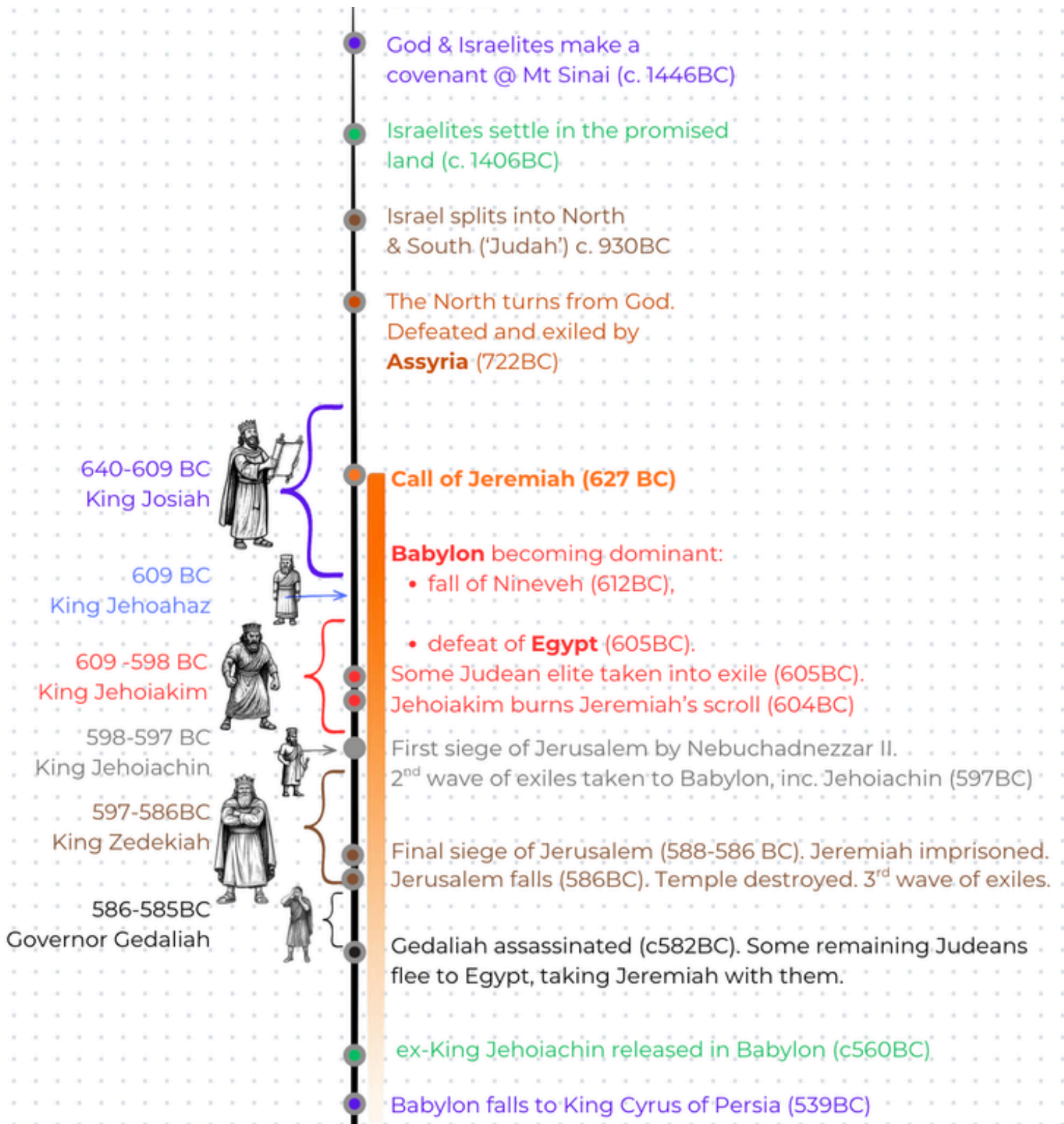
## Reflect & Apply

5. In what ways does 1:10 point us to what Jesus was doing on the **cross**?
6. If God's word really does have **this power** to tear down, destroy, rebuild and plant. What should be our attitude to it? How might this change what you expect your Bible to do?
7. What lessons from the **book of Jeremiah** have you already been putting into practice or would like to?

**Pray** Praise God for the rich, raw and challenging book of Jeremiah. Ask him to use it to help us repent from stubborn hearts and hold fast to the hope we have in Christ.







# EXTRAS

## TIMELINE



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## RULERS DURING TIME OF JEREMIAH

King	Dates	Key events of reign	Parts of Jeremiah which happen in (or reference) his reign	Other parts of the bible to look at to learn more
<b>Josiah</b> <i>'Goody'</i> 	640-609 BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The last 'good' king of Judah.</li> <li>13<sup>th</sup> year of his reign: Jeremiah called</li> <li>Helps Judah turn back to God</li> </ul>	1, 2-6	2 Kings 22-23 2 Chronicles 34-35
<b>Johoahaz</b> <i>'Shorty'</i> 	609 BC (3 month reign)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pharaoh Neco topples him and takes him to Egypt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>perhaps 'Shallum' in 22:10-12</li> </ul>	2 Kings 23:31-34 2 Chronicles 36:1-4
<b>Jehoiakim</b> <i>'Baddy'</i> 	609-598 BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turns the people away from God.</li> <li>Lots of conflict with Jeremiah</li> <li>Puts Jeremiah on Trial</li> <li>Babylon becomes more powerful during his reign: Captures Nineveh in 612BC. Defeats Egypt in Battle of Carchemish in 605BC.</li> <li>First deportation of Judeans to Babylon in 605.</li> <li>Burns Jeremiahs' scroll 604BC</li> </ul>	7-10, 13, 18-20, 25, 26, 35, 36, 45, 46:2	2 Kings 23:34-24:6 2 Chronicles 36:5-8
<b>Jehoiachin (aka Jeconiah/Coniah)</b> <i>'Shorty'</i> 	598-597 BC (3 month reign)	597BC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jerusalem first by Nebuchadnezzar II of Babylon</li> <li>second (and larger) wave of exiles</li> <li>Jehoiachin taken captive to Babylon. Later released (561BC)</li> </ul>	22:24-30, 24, 52:31-34	2 Kings 24:6-17 2 Chronicles 36:9-10 2 Kings 25:27-30
<b>Zedekiah</b> <i>'Zed the last'</i> 	597-586BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>False prophecies by Hananiah</li> <li>Jeremiah is imprisoned.</li> <li>Hard-hearted, last king of Judah - reigns until Babylonians besiege and destroy Jerusalem.</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> wave of exiles taken to Babylon.</li> <li>Sons killed then eyes poked out and taken to Babylon</li> </ul>	21-24, 27-29, 34, 37-39, 52	2 Kings 24:17-25:21, 2 Chronicles 36:11-21
<b>Gedaliah</b> son of Ahikam <i>'Ged the Gov'</i> 	586-585BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appointed Governor by Babylon to rule those left in Judah.</li> <li>Assassinated in 585 BC,</li> <li>(Remaining Judeans fear repercussions from Babylon and so flee to Egypt, forcibly taking Jeremiah with them.)</li> </ul>	40-41 (42-43)	2 Kings 25:22-26

# EXTRAS

## OUR PRAYERS FOR THIS SERIES

<b>Study 1</b> Jer 1	That by meeting Jeremiah, we'd see the ultimate prophet Jesus who suffers to plant his people in a new land.
<b>Study 2</b> Jer 2	That Jeremiah 2 would show us our own spiritual adultery and desperate need for God's mercy.
<b>Study 3</b> Jer 1-19	That God's word would convict us of the state of our hearts and point us to His heart, seen clearly in Christ.
<b>Study 4</b> Jer 20	That God would strengthen us to persevere under trial as we see Christ, the true 'man of sorrows'
<b>Study 5</b> Rom 12	Serve Sunday: That given God's mercy we'd live to serve him and his people as living sacrifices
<b>Study 6</b> Jer 31	That God's word would enable us to relish in our New Covenant relationship with Him.
<b>Study 7</b> Jer 32	That God's promises would take hold in our hearts so we live for the world to come.
<b>Study 8</b> Jer 36	That we'd clearly see the danger of ignoring God's word & instead rely on Christ: the Word of God.
<b>Study 9</b> Jer 50	That we'd live with God as the ultimate superpower.
<b>Study 10</b> Jer 52	That we would see both the seriousness of sin and the strength of our hope more clearly.
<b>Study 11</b> Jer 1 - recap	That we would know even more deeply that God keeps his <sup>35</sup> word (both his warnings and his promises).

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