

A READER'S GUIDE TO JEREMIAH

- 5:1-19** Why would God not pardon Jerusalem? What kind of destruction would God execute on them? Who would God use to execute His judgment? What were the false prophets saying?
- 5:20-31** What evidence had the Lord given Judah to cause them to fear Him and tremble? Describe the heart and lifestyle of the people of Judah. What appalling and horrible thing had happened in the land?
- 6:1-15** Why does the Lord warn men to flee Jerusalem? Why is the Lord punishing her? Why would they not heed the Lord's warning?
- 6:16-30** How could the people of Judah find rest for their souls? How did the people react to the Lord's watchmen? Why were their sacrifices unacceptable? Describe the enemy coming from the north. What kind of people had Judah shown themselves to be through Jeremiah's work of testing?
- 7:1-20** What deceptive words did Judah trust in? What happened in Shiloh that should serve as a lesson to them? (cp 1 Sam 4:1-11) Why was Jeremiah not to pray and intercede for the people?
- 7:21-34** Judah brought the Lord sacrifices, but what was it that He had always wanted from them? Why was this the "generation of the Lord's wrath" and what would the Lord do to them in His wrath?
- 8:1-12** Why would the bones of Judah's leaders and Jerusalem's residents be brought out of their graves? What amazes the Lord about His people's behavior? Had Judah's religious leaders been any help? Why not? What will happen to them?
- 8:13-22** What figures are used to describe the Lord's judgment of Judah? Why is Jeremiah's sorrow beyond healing and his heart faint?

