

## **A Study of the Prophets**

### **O.T. Survey Lesson 150--Jeremiah 16:10-17:27**

**Introduction:** This section continues the fifth discourse of Jeremiah. In it Jeremiah continues to offer the reasons why Judah would be punished and incentives to the people to turn from their wickedness.

**Lesson aim:** To understand the nature of the sins that bring God's judgment.

#### **Reasons for Judah's punishment--16:10-17:4**

1. What reasons was Jeremiah to give to explain the calamities that would come upon Jerusalem and Judah? (v. 10-13)
2. What glimmering ray of hope is given in v. 14-16? Yet this welcome news would not prevent what from happening? (v. 18)
3. What hope did Jeremiah express for the nations about Judah? (v. 19-20) What did God hope Judah would learn from the experience of God's judgment? (v. 21)
4. Jeremiah said, "The sin of Judah is written down with an \_\_\_\_\_; and with a diamond point it is engraved upon the tablet of their \_\_\_\_\_" (17:1).

#### **God proposes blessings or curses for Judah--Jeremiah 17:1-27**

1. What curse did God pronounce? (v. 5) To what did God liken the sinner? (v. 6)
2. In contrast, what blessing did God pronounce? (v. 7) To what did God liken the righteous man? (v. 8)
3. What does God affirm about the human heart? (v. 8) Yet, what can God do? (v. 10)

4. To what is the man likened who makes unjust gain? (v. 11) What lesson is being taught by this illustration?
5. What was Jeremiah's view of God? (v. 12-13) What was his view of those who turn away from God?
6. Summarize Jeremiah's pleas to God in this prayer (v. 14-18).
7. What exhortation did Jeremiah issue to the people at the gate? (v. 19-22) What was the people's response? (v. 23)
8. What blessings did God promise if the people would observe the Sabbath properly? (v. 24-26) What did God say would happen if they refused to do so? (v. 27)