

A Study of the Prophets

O.T. Survey Lesson 162--Jeremiah 45:1-51:64

Introduction: God's faithfulness to the promise made to Abraham is never more clearly seen than in these chapters where God promised the preservation and return of His exiled people and the destruction of the nations He had used to punish them. Moreover, we see clear evidence of the inclusion of Gentile peoples in the kingdom God was yet to establish as God promises to "restore their fortunes".

Lesson aim: To emphasize God's judgment of the nations in preparation for His gathering of the people of all nations along with Israel into His kingdom.

Jeremiah comforts Baruch--Jeremiah 46:1-5

1. What task had Jeremiah given Baruch? (v. 1) How did Baruch react to the message he was writing? (v. 3)
2. What message did God command Jeremiah to give to Baruch? (v. 4-5)

Jeremiah's prophecy concerning Egypt-- Jeremiah 46:1-28

1. The prophecy of v. 1-12 concerns the battle of Egypt and Babylon at what place? (v. 2) Who did Jeremiah say would win the battle?
2. Read the description of the fall of Egypt in v. 13-26. Who did God say would defeat the Egyptians?
3. What did God urge His people not to do? (v. 27-28) Why?

Jeremiah's prophecy concerning Israel's neighbors--Jeremiah 47:1-49:39

1. Chapter 47 pronounces God's judgment against what people? Who was to be the source of the destruction? Whose sword was really causing the destruction? (v. 6-7)
2. Chapter 48 pronounces God's judgment against what people? Make a list of the reasons why judgment came from God upon this country (v. 7, 26-27, 29, 42).
3. What promise did God make concerning Moab's future? (v. 47) How do you think this was accomplished? (Cf. 12:14-16)
4. The prophecies of chapter 49 concern what five peoples? (v. 1, 7, 23, 28, 34)
5. The Ammonites had invaded what territory of Israel? (v. 1) What did God say would happen to Milcom, the god of the Ammonites? (v. 3)
6. Describe the desolation that God said would come upon Edom (v. 9-13).
7. What did God say would happen to Damascus? (v. 23-27)
8. Who would bring destruction to Kedar and the kingdoms of Hazor? (v. 28-33)
9. What did God say He would bring against Elam? (v. 34-39) What positive message did He reveal to them? (v. 39)

Jeremiah's prophecy concerning Babylon--Jeremiah 50:1-51:64

1. What would God's people do in the aftermath of the destruction of Babylon? (v. 4-5)
2. What prediction did God make about Babylon? (v. 13, 39-40)

3. What did God say He would do with the sins of Judah? (v. 20)
4. For what did the Lord say He would execute vengeance upon Babylon? (v. 28)
5. Why did God say judgment against Babylon was necessary? (v. 29, 33)
6. Had God in the destruction of Jerusalem forsaken His people? (v. 51:5)
7. What nation would God use to punish Babylon? (v. 11)
8. What symbolic deed did Jeremiah have Seraiah perform? (51:59-64)