## Jeremiah

"Yah (the Lord) exalts"

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#### Time Frame

- Prior to Jeremiah, Isaiah predicted Israel's defeat by Assyria—722 BC (Isaiah 28) and Judah's defeat by Babylon—the destruction of Jerusalem in 586 BC (Isaiah 39)
- Jeremiah served as prophet ~627 BC until at least 586 BC (Jer. 1:1-3) and possibly until ~562 BC (based on chs. 40-44 and 52—Jehoiachin's release)

## Historical Highlights

"Jeremiah lived about a hundred years after Isaiah. Isaiah had saved Jerusalem from Assyria. Jeremiah tried to save it from Babylon, but failed."

- Halley's Bible Handbook

## Key Words

- Babylon (~169 times)
  - **20:4-6**
- Listen/hear/obey (~117 times)
  - 2:4; 5:21; 6:10, 19; 7:13, 23-24, 26-28; 11:8, 14; 12:16-17; 22:29; 25:4; 26:13; 32:23; 35:8, 10, 14-15 18-19; 38:20
  - Heart/hearts (~63 times)
    - 3:10, 15, 17; 4:14, 18-19; 5:23-24; 7:31; 9:14, 26; 11:20; 13:10; 15:16; 16:12; 17:1, 5, 9, 10; 18:12; 20:9, 12; 22:17

## Key Words

- Return (~ 47 times)
  - 3:7, 12, 14, 22; 4:1; 5:3; 8:4-5; 12:15; 18:11; 24:7; 29:10; 30:3, 10; 33:7, 11, 26
  - Sin/sins/sinned (~26 times)
    - 2:35; 3:25; 5:25; 14:7, 10, 20; 33:8; 40:3; 44:23
  - Backsliding/faithless (~13 times)
    - 3:6, 8, 11-12, 14, 22; 8:5; 31:22

## Key Phrase

- "Thus says the Lord" (~150 times)
  - -6:16

#### Verses to Remember

- 1:7, 9-10
- 2:13, 17, 32
- 4:22
- 5:1, 30-31
- 6:15
- 8:20, 22
- 9:1, 3, 23-24
- 10:6-7, 10
- 12:5

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- 13:15
- 14:19
- 15:1
- 17:7, 13-14, 17-18
- 18:6
- 20:7
- 21:8
- 23:29
- 29:11-13

#### Overview Outline

Ch. 1: God appoints Jeremiah

Chs. 2-45: Prophecies about Judah

Chs. 46-51: Prophecies about the nations

Ch. 52: Historical summary

#### Trivia

Who cut and burned God's Word which had been spoken by Jeremiah and penned by Baruch?

Jehoiakim, Josiah's son (ch. 36)

# Memory Verse Review (Psalms—Isaiah)

- Ps. 119:30—"I have chosen..."
- Prov. 3:5—"Trust in..."
- Eccles. 12:13—"Let us hear..."
- Song 8:7a—"Many waters…"
- Is. 55:6—"Seek the Lord..."

## Memory Verse for Jeremiah

10:23

"O LORD, I know the way of man is not in himself;

It is not in man who walks to direct his own steps"