

1. The “weeping prophet”
 - a. Egypt
2. Similarities of the “call” between Moses, Samuel, Abraham, Paul, Isaiah, and Jeremiah
 - a. God Himself had spoken
 - b. The initiative lay with God
 - i. Their call came from God and not from themselves
 - c. The call of God obliges us to deliver the specific message that God has given them
 - d. The individual knew their message would be unwelcome.
 - e. The individual knew that God would guide, empower, sustain, and protect him.
 - i. *"I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."*
 - ii. Change and repentance from sin.
 - iii. God's promise: *"Do not be afraid of them for I am with you and will rescue you."*
3. Almond Tree
 - a. Hebrew sounds like “watching”
 - b. Obtuse→obvious
4. Jeremiah's message
 - a. Forsaking God
 - b. Building an artificial religion designed to take His place
5. Image of living water
6. People in open rebellion
7. Egypt? Assyria? The Lord!

1. Marriage relationship
 - a. Indirect because God is spiritual and immaterial
 - b. Revelation through analogy
 - c. Permanent commitment-not even death can break it!
 - d. Greatest level of love

2. Divorce
 - a. Israel and Judah→Spiritual adultery
 - b. Idolatry
 - c. Jer 3:1
 - i. Divorce His people (you are no longer My people, no longer My bride)
 - ii. God might not be willing to take His people back (but see v. 13!)

3. God's plea
 - a. "just repent" "only acknowledge your guilt...and return to Me."
 - b. (unconditional promise) Millennial fulfillment of the reuniting of Israel and Judah OR (conditional promise) Northern tribes must repent of their rebellion against God
 - c. Find ONE person
 - d. Jeremiah's plea; he had God's heart for people, even sinful ones

4. The ark of the covenant
 - a. No longer the focal point of worship

1. Christian country
 - a. Truth
 - b. Post-Christian society
 - c. Obey God, keep His commands, acknowledging His truth.
 - d. "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls."
 - i. Watchmen-God's messengers, reformers
 - ii. Call to change
 - iii. Martin Luther, John Calvin, Jonathan Edwards, the Tennents
2. Their ears are closed so that they cannot hear Jer. 6
 - a. Jeremiah's perseverance despite rejection
 - b. Rejection of God's word
 - c. Jeremiah 7:16 "So do not pray for this people nor offer any plea or petition for them; do not plead with me, for I will not listen to you."
 - i. Jeremiah vs. Jonah
 - ii. Jeremiah and Jesus Christ
3. Jews of Judah
 - a. Religious people
 - b. Rituals of the temple
4. Jeremiah 7:21-23
 - a. Burnt offerings
 - b. Rituals vs. Obedience
5. Jeremiah 8
 - a. Parallel with Jesus Christ

1. Book of Jeremiah
 - a. Longest Book in the Bible
 - b. The most words
 - c. Prose and poetry in Hebrew
 - i. 'Yacov ya 'aqob - every brother a Jacob - a deceiver or supplanter
 - ii. They make ready their tongue like a bow to shoot lies."
 - iii. It is not by truth that they triumph in the land."
2. The weeping prophet
 - a. "Oh that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears. I would weep day and night for the slain of my people."
 - b. Jer 10: Prayers for himself
 - c. 1 John 5:16--There is a sin that leads to death
3. Jeremiah in the community
 - a. Priest
 - b. Anathoth- hometown
 - c. "confessions" of Jeremiah
 - d. Plot to kill Jeremiah
 - e. Similarities of Jeremiah to Jesus
 - i. Wept
 - ii. Sins of His people
 - iii. Rejection
 - iv. Sheep to the slaughter
4. Wailing women
 - a. Professional mourners
 - b. Burial in Old Testament times
5. Jeremiah 9:23-24
 - a. Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight' declares the Lord."
 - b. Kindness, justice, righteousness
 - c. Let him who boasts boast in this: that He understands and knows me.

1. Throne
 - a. King Josiah
 - b. Jehoahaz
 - c. Jehoiakim
2. Pronouncement of God's judgment
 - a. Similar to King David Psalm 73
 - b. The opposition will worsen
 - c. God's timetable; God will always do what He says
 - d. Trust and obey
3. Linen Belt
 - a. Exposure to sin
 - b. Perath: Euphrates River and Babylon; Wadi Farah, near Anathoth
4. Exile and Deportation
 - a. Sin nature
 - b. New creature in Christ Jesus
5. Jehoiachin
 - a. Queen mother, Nehushta
6. Jeremaids
 - a. Messages of doom, gloom, and mourning
 - b. Four fates
 - i. Death
 - ii. Sword
 - iii. Starvation
 - iv. Captivity
7. Moses and Samuel
 - a. Reprobate: beyond the point of repentance
8. Jeremiah's confessions