



The Book Of JEREMIAH

1:1-3 BEGINNING THE BOOK

INTRODUCTION

- The author of the book of Jeremiah is Jeremiah
- Jeremiah wasn't the most powerful prophet—Elijah
- Jeremiah wasn't the most poetic prophet—Isaiah
- Jeremiah wasn't the most mystical prophet—Ezekiel
- Jeremiah was not the most successful prophet—Jonah
- Jeremiah *was* the most courageous prophet
 - He witnessed the death of a nation
 - He was ridiculed, ignored, rejected, imprisoned and eventually exiled
- Key takeaway: The Lord does not ask for us to be successful
 - The Lord asks us to be faithful
 - Great faith is great faithfulness

(1A) JEREMIAH, SON OF HILKIAH

- Jeremiah means *God will exalt/raise/anoint*
- Jeremiah is the son of a priest
 - This makes Jeremiah both a prophet and a priest
 - A prophet is a mouthpiece of God
 - A prophet foretells
 - A prophet forth-tells
 - 1 Corinthians 14:1-5
 - A priest is a representative/mediator
 - He represents God to the people
 - He represents the people to God
 - Revelation 5:10

(1B) JEREMIAH... OF
THE PRIESTS... IN
ANATHOTH
IN...BENJAMIN

48 Levitical Cities (Joshua 21)



(3-4) JEREMIAH
PROPHESED
DURING THE
TIME OF KING
JOSIAH,
JEHOIAKIM
AND ZEDEKIAH

King Josiah

of Judah 640-609 BC

- He was 8 when he became king
- He had the temple repaired
- Read the Book of the Law
- Promised God to follow His laws
- King for 31 years

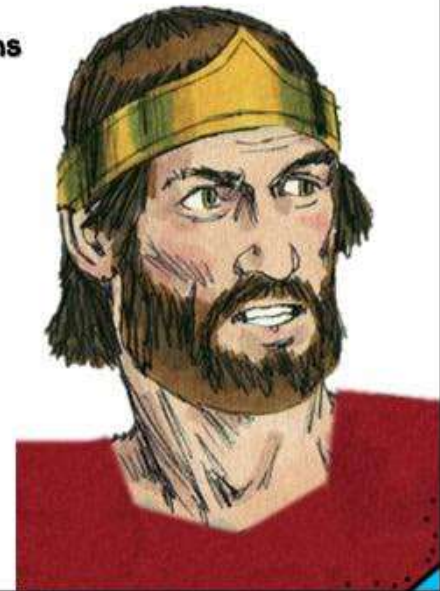


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King Jehoahaz of Judah 609 BC

- He was 23 when he became the king
- He was put in prison by Pharaoh Necho of Egypt & made his son the king
- He died in Egypt
- King for 3 months



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**King Jehoiakim
of Judah 609-598**

- He was 25 when he became the king
- Pharaoh Necho of Egypt changed his name from Eliakim to Jehoiakim
- When he heard what was written on Jeremiah's scroll, he cut it and threw it into the fire
- King Nebuchadnezzar took him hostage and took him to Babylon
- King for 11 years in Jerusalem



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King Jehoiachin of Judah 598-597

- He was 18 when he became the king
- King Nebuchadnezzar took him and others prisoners and took them to Babylon
- He was released from prison during his 37th year and was given food ration daily
- King for 3 months



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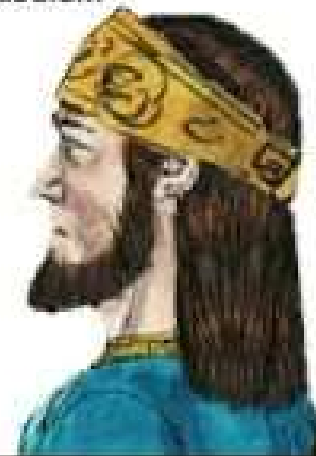
King Zedekiah

of Judah 597-586

- He was 21 when he became the king
- King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon changed his name from Mattaniah to Zedekiah
- There was a severe famine during this time
- He died a prisoner in Babylon
- Last king of Judah
- King for 11 years in Jerusalem



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JEREMIAH IS KNOWN AS *THE WEEPING PROPHET*

- His prophetic contemporaries were Habakkuk and Zephaniah
 - Habakkuk is thought of as a **praying** prophet
 - Zephaniah is thought of as a **preaching** prophet
 - Jeremiah is known as the **weeping** prophet
- These three together constitute what the church needs to be in a dying nation
 - The catalyst for praying and preaching is weeping (brokenness)

JESUS WAS A MAN WEEPING AND PRAYING AND PREACHING

HE IS DESPISED AND
REJECTED BY MEN, A MAN
OF SORROWS AND
ACQUAINTED WITH GRIEF.
AND WE HID, AS IT WERE,
OUR FACES FROM HIM; HE
WAS DESPISED, AND WE DID
NOT ESTEEM HIM.
ISAIAH 53:3

JESUS WAS MISTAKEN FOR JEREMIAH

Matthew 16:13-14

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

JEREMIAH HAS MUCH IN COMMON WITH JESUS

Jeremiah and Jesus

1. Similar Historical Settings
 - Jerusalem about to Fall
 - Temple soon to be Destroyed
 - Formalism in Worship
2. Both Delivered a Hard Message to People They Loved (Jer 8:21; Luke 13:34)
3. Both Wept Over Jerusalem (Jer 9:1; Luke 19:41)
4. Both Opposed Commercialism of the Temple (Jer 7:11; Matt 21:13)
5. Both Foretold the Temple's Destruction (Jer 7:14; Mark 13:2)
6. Both Were Rejected by their People (Jer 12:6; John 1:11)
7. Both Were Accused of Political Treason (Jer 37:11-15; Luke 23:2)
8. Both Were Tried, Persecuted, and Imprisoned (Jer 32:2-3; John 18:12)
9. Both Knew Deep Loneliness (Jer 17:15; John 16:32a)
10. Both Demonstrated Unusual Fellowship with God (Jer 15:16; John 16:32b)

I WILL TURN THEIR
MOURNING INTO
GLADNESS; I WILL
GIVE THEM **COMFORT**
AND **JOY** INSTEAD OF
SORROW.

JEREMIAH 31:13

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I AM
MAKING
ALL THINGS
~~NEW~~
ALL THINGS
NEW

JESUS | REVELATION 21:5

THE HOPE OF JEREMIAH