

# Discipleship University Bible Reading Guide

## Hebrew Prophets II: Jer. 32-33, 37-43, Ezekiel 25-31, Lamentations

(For class to be held on December 2, 2017)

### Read Jeremiah 37, Ezekiel 29:1-16 & 30:1-19 – Siege Lifted, Jeremiah Imprisoned, Prophecy for Egypt

1. What turn of events led Zedekiah to send Jehucal and Zephaniah to inquire of the LORD through Jeremiah? \_\_\_\_\_ . What did Jeremiah say would happen? \_\_\_\_\_ . When Jeremiah tried to leave Jerusalem why was he put in prison? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who is symbolized by the great dragon in the river in Ez. 29:3? \_\_\_\_\_. What would the fish sticking to his scales possibly represent? \_\_\_\_\_. In 29:8-10, 14-16, we learn that after the destructive invasion of Egypt, it would be revived as a nation. What was prophesied about Egypt's future greatness? \_\_\_\_\_. What nation's destruction is described in Ez. 30:1-19? \_\_\_\_\_

### Jeremiah 32-33 – A Curious Land Purchase & The Future Glorious Restoration of Judah and Jerusalem

1. What was ironic about Jeremiah buying land? \_\_\_\_\_. What message was given through Jeremiah's purchase of land? \_\_\_\_\_
2. When God would cure and return the captivity of Israel, what specific promise given in Jer. 33 could only be fulfilled by the Messiah's sacrifice? \_\_\_\_\_. What name is given to the coming Messiah? \_\_\_\_\_. Why is the promise that "David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne" so strange in this chapter? \_\_\_\_\_ . What did God say was the only way His covenant with David and the Levites and priests could be broken? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How do you understand these promises? Do they mean that Israel could never cease to be the chosen people? Paul actually answers these questions in Romans 9-11.

### Read Ezekiel 25-28 – Prophecies Against the Surrounding Nations, Especially Tyre (and Satan)

1. In Ez. 25 what small neighboring nations would also be swept by the coming destruction? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What would the rock foundation of Tyre be used for in the future? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What chapter in Revelation gets much of its imagery from Ezekiel 27? \_\_\_\_\_. Can you give an example? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What made the king of Tyre a good representation of Satan? \_\_\_\_\_. Give three statements from Ez. 28:12-19 that fit Satan instead of the King of Tyre. 1.) \_\_\_\_\_ 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ . 3.) \_\_\_\_\_

### Read Jer. 38 – Jeremiah's Rescue

1. What did Jeremiah say must be done to save one's own life? \_\_\_\_\_. Why did the princes think he should be put to death? \_\_\_\_\_. Who rescued Jeremiah from the pit? \_\_\_\_\_. What did Jeremiah tell Zedekiah that he needed to do to save his city? \_\_\_\_\_

**Read Ez. 30:20-26, Ez. 31, Jer. 39, 2 Kings 25:1-22, 2 Chron. 36:15-21 - Doom of Egypt & Fall of Jerusalem**

1. According to Ez. 30:20-26, what was to happen to the arms of the Pharaoh of Egypt? \_\_\_\_\_. In Ezekiel 31 Assyria is described as a great cedar of Lebanon that was cut down. To whom was the example of Assyria given as a warning? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was the last thing that Zedekiah witnessed with his eyes? \_\_\_\_\_. Who was given charge to make sure that Jeremiah would be okay? \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
3. Which of the above passages says God had compassion on His people and sent them prophets who they despised and abused so that God finally brought the Chaldeans upon them? \_\_\_\_\_. Which of the above passages gives a lot of detail about the items of the sanctuary that were taken? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What would the land of Judah enjoy now that it was left desolate? \_\_\_\_\_

**Read Lamentations – Jeremiah’s Grief over the Destruction of Jerusalem**

1. In order to convey feelings, what is Jerusalem acting like in chapter one? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What imagery is used in chapter 3 to suggest a person’s end? \_\_\_\_\_. What verses in chapter 3 explain the goodness of God? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is described in 4:8-9? \_\_\_\_\_. What does 4:10 indicate happened during the siege of Jerusalem? \_\_\_\_\_
4. After the laments in chapter 5, what hope is in the final verses? \_\_\_\_\_

**Read Jer. 40-43 & 2 Kings 25:22-26 – Jeremiah’s Ministry among those Left in Judah & Their Flight to Egypt**

1. Who was made the governor of the people left in Judah? \_\_\_\_\_. Where did Jeremiah choose to live? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who murdered Gedaliah? \_\_\_\_\_. Where did he and his men go as fugitives? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why did the Jews in Judah think it wise to go to Egypt? \_\_\_\_\_. What did God tell them to do? \_\_\_\_\_. What was prophesied for those who would go to Egypt? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How did Azariah, Johanan, and other proud men rationalize away Jeremiah’s message? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Why did Jeremiah and Baruch go to Egypt with everyone else? \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Suggested Reading, *Prophets and Kings*, Chapter 37, pages 452-463**