

Chapter 17

The Fall of Judah and the Prophet Jeremiah



THE STORY

“I am going to bring a sword against you, and I will destroy your high places. Your altars will be demolished and your incense altars will be smashed,...



**and I will slay your people in front of your idols. I will lay the dead bodies of the Israelites in front of their idols, and I will scatter your bones around your altars.... And you will know that I am the Lord.”
Ezekiel 6:3-5, 7**



“A lion has come out of his lair, a destroyer of nations has set out. He has left this place to lay waste your land. Your towns will lie in ruins without inhabitant..... Go up and down the streets of Jerusalem, look around and consider, search through her squares...



If you can find but one person who deals honestly and seeks the truth, I will forgive this city.... If you do not listen, I will weep in secret because of your pride, my eyes will weep bitterly,...



overflowing with tears, because the Lord's flock will be taken captive..... All Judah will be carried into exile, carried completely away."

Jeremiah 4:7, 5:1, 13:17, 19



“The Lord, the God of their ancestors, sent word to them through his messengers again and again, because he had pity on his people and on his dwelling place. But they mocked God’s...



**messengers, despised his words
and scoffed at his prophets until
the wrath of the Lord was aroused
against his people and there was
no remedy.”**

2 Chronicles 36:15-16



“The Lord will perform wonders for us as in times past.”

Jeremiah 21:2

“He will destroy it with fire.”

Jeremiah 21:10



“How deserted lies the city, once so full of people. How like a widow is she, who once was great among the nations. She who was queen among the provinces has now become a slave. Bitterly she weeps at night,...



tears are on her cheeks. Among all her lovers there is no one to comfort her. All her friends have betrayed her, they have become her enemies."

Lamentations 1:1-2



**“I will cleanse you of all your
impurities and from all your idols.”
Ezekiel 36:24**



“I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you and you will be clean, I will clean you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you...



**You will be my people, and I will
be your God.”**

Ezekiel 36:24-26, 28



How did Jeremiah keep going?

**“Before I formed you in the womb
I knew you, before you were born
I set you apart; I appointed you as
a prophet to the nations.”**

Jeremiah 1:5



You can't be anything you want to be, but you can be everything God wants you to be.

'I am only a child.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you."

Jeremiah 1:6-7



“For every living soul belongs to me.” Ezekiel 18:4

“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.” Genesis 1:27



“I know the plans I have for you.”

Jeremiah 29:11

“The very hairs of your head are all numbered.” Luke 12:7



The bad news is: We are nothing without God. But the good news is: With God we are something special.



“God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.” Genesis 2:7



“Apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

**“I can do everything through him who gives me strength.”
Philippians 4:13**

