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Jeremiah 37-44

Divided Kingdom (931 BC)

722 BC Assyria takes northern tribes away

606 BC Babylonians come to Jerusalem

597 BC Jerusalem captured

586 BC Fall of Jerusalem; Temple burned

345 YEARS





THE BACKGROUND

Zedekiah is the last king of Judah and Jerusalem

Not following the word of God *Jer. 37:1-2*

Babylon besieged Jerusalem but withdrew when they heard the Egyptian army was coming

Babylon will come back *Jer. 37:10*



THE BACKGROUND

Babylon will have the victory

A choice between life and death **Jer. 38:2-4**

Thus says the Lord, the God of Hosts, the God of Israel

A choice between life and death **Jer. 38:17-18**



THE BACKGROUND

Zedekiah does not listen to the word of the Lord

He and the men of war flee **Jer. 39:4**

The Chaldeans catch them and bring them to NEB.

Sons/men of war killed **Jer. 39:5-8**

Zedekiah blinded and chained



THE BACKGROUND

Nebuchadnezzar wants Jeremiah to be taken care of
Nebuzaradan given charge **Jer. 39:11-12**

The Captain of the Babylonian guard knew God's will
The Lord your God has pronounced **Jer. 40:1-4**



THE BACKGROUND

Gedaliah is made governor and pleads for peace

Do not be afraid of the Chaldeans **Jer. 40:7-9**

Gedaliah is warned about an assassination attempt

Johanan warns the governor **Jer. 40:13-16**



THE BACKGROUND

Ishmael kills Gedaliah

Jer. 41:1-3

Ishmael kills 80 men and throws in pit

Jer. 41:7

Ishmael takes the people captive

Jer. 41:10

Johanan rescues the people

Jer. 41:11-16



WE WILL OBEY THE VOICE OF THE LORD

The background of the top section is a dark, blue-toned image of a city skyline at night. A prominent church steeple with a cross is visible in the center. The sky is filled with stars, and the city lights are reflected in a dark surface below.

The leaders come to Jeremiah seeking the word of God
Jeremiah 42:1-3





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Jeremiah agrees to petition the Lord

Jeremiah 42:4





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The leaders promise their undying faithfulness to God
Jeremiah 42:5-6





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Jeremiah delivers the message from God

Jeremiah 42:7-17





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God knows the hearts of men

Jeremiah 42:18-22





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HOW DID THEY RESPOND TO THE WORD OF THE LORD?

Jeremiah 43:1-4



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They went to Egypt - **Jeremiah 43:7**

God sends Babylon to Egypt - **Jeremiah 43:8-13**

Those who rebelled died - **Jeremiah 44:11-14**





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They made an oath to
the Lord which they did
not keep

Jeremiah 42:5

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7



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They never intended to obey if they did not agree with the answer

Jeremiah 42:6; 43:2

Naaman 2 Kings 5

Rich Ruler Matthew 19




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We must keep our oath
to the Lord

Romans 10:8-9



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We cannot come to God
and demand our rights

1 Thess. 2:13

John 17:17



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We will not change
God's will

Jeremiah 44:11-14



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THROUGH THE LORD'S MERCIES WE ARE NOT CONSUMED, BECAUSE HIS COMPASSIONS FAIL NOT. THEY ARE NEW EVERY MORNING; GREAT IS YOUR FAITHFULNESS. "THE LORD IS MY PORTION," SAYS MY SOUL, "THEREFORE I HOPE IN HIM!" THE LORD IS GOOD TO THOSE WHO WAIT FOR HIM, TO THE SOUL WHO SEEKS HIM. IT IS GOOD THAT ONE SHOULD HOPE AND WAIT QUIETLY FOR THE SALVATION OF THE LORD.

(LAMENTATIONS 3:22-26)

And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

(Mark 16:15-16)