THE WEEPING PROPHET
JEREMIAH 1:1, 4-5 / 7-22-18 / PM

I. JEREMIAH’S LIFE.

A. Jeremiah’s personal life.
   1. His name means “God is Exalted.”
   2. He was called as a prophet as a young man, perhaps around 20.
   3. His father was a priest—1:1.
   4. His hometown was two miles south of Jerusalem.
   5. As an object lesson he never married.

B. Jeremiah’s professional life.
   1. He preached with a broken heart—8:18, 23:9.
   2. Not one single person responded positively to his preaching and pleas.
   3. He was a persecuted prophet...
      Threatened by people in his own hometown.
      Brought to trial by the other prophets.
      Put in stocks.
      Thrown into a cistern.
      Kidnapped and taken to Egypt.
      Murdered in Egypt.
   4. Dictated his writings to a secretary named Baruch.
   5. Was a contemporary of Daniel, Ezekiel, Zephaniah and Habakkuk.

C. Jeremiah’s message.
   1. Predicted Babylonian captivity—1:16.
   2. Predicted their captivity would last 70 years—25:11.
   4. Predicted God would make a new covenant with Israel—31:33.
5. Creative in communicating his prophecies.

Parables
Sermons
Object lessons—32:6-7

6. Wrote Lamentations which is an eye witness account of the destruction of Jerusalem.

II. JEREMIAH’S LESSONS.

1. Man’s plans made without God are foolish—17:5, Prov. 3:5-6.

2. God can be trusted for everything—32:17.

3. People don’t always listen to God prophets—2:30.

4. Only genuine repentance is acceptable to God—7:3.

5. God is patient, but eventually His patience runs out.