

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.
3. Daniel referred to Jeremiah—Dan. 9:2.
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.