

A Walk Thru the Bible – Old Testament

Session 9 – The Nation of Israel Imperiled and Exiled

The divided kingdoms – ca. 930-922 BC

ISRAEL & Jeroboam – a rebellion from God against Solomon (*1 Kings 11:26-40*)

JUDAH & Rehoboam – a wise man's son's foolish abuse divides a nation
(*1 Kings 12:1-19*)

The rise of sanctioned idolatry

Jeroboam's evil & the Northern Kingdom's sin (*1 Kings 12:25-13:6; 14:1-16*)

The Southern Kingdom's sin (*1 Kings 14:21-26*)

1 Peter 2:11 (NIV) Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul.

The LORD raises up his prophets

The need for the prophets

- P_____ of power
- The rampant rise of _____
- The widespread rejection of _____

Two examples of prophetic ministry

Elijah (*1 Kings 17-19*)

Amos (*see the book of Amos*)

“Judgment Oracles”

Message of hope and future glory

The rise and threat of neighboring empires

Assyria (Nineveh) – 1600 BC

Greek Empire of Alexander – 325 BC

Babylonia (Babylon) – 626 BC

Roman Empire of Augustus Caesar – 27 BC

Persia-Media Empire – 539 BC

The end of the Northern Kingdom – 722 BC

The Assyrian onslaught (*2 Kings 17:5-23*)

The origination of the "Samaritans" (*2 Kings 17:24-34*)

The decline and fall of the Southern Kingdom (Judah) – 597-587 BC

King Josiah and his reforms (*2 Kings 22:1-23:30*)

A string of bad leaders as Kings who become "vassals" of foreign kings

Jehoahaz ➡ Jehoiakim ➡ Jehoiachin ➡ Zedekiah

King Jehoiachin surrenders Jerusalem to Nebuchadnezzar (*2 Kings 24:8-17*)

The first deportation to Babylon – 597 BC

King Zedekiah and the final destruction of Jerusalem – 587 BC

(*2 Kings 24:18-25:12*)

The message of the prophets

Jeremiah's "Temple Sermon" (*Jeremiah 7*)

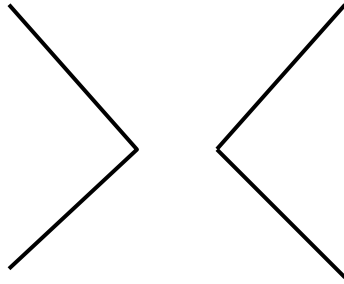
Jeremiah suffers imprisonment and persecution for his message

The influence of false prophets (*Jeremiah 27:1-15; 28:10-17*)

Jeremiah's "Letter to the Exiles" (*Jeremiah 29*)

70 years exile predicted

The ultimate message of hope from the Prophets (*see Ezekiel 11:16-21; 36:22-32*)



The exile and its effect

- An _____ crisis
- A _____ crisis
- A _____ crisis
 - ◆ Is _____?
 - ◆ Is _____?
 - ◆ Can God _____ foreign land?

Suggested Bible readings for next week:

If you would like to skim read material for next week, it would be as follows:
Daniel – Daniel 7; 12 ***Nehemiah*** – Nehemiah 1-2; 4; 6:15-16; 8; 9:1-3; 11:1-12; 13 ***Haggai*** – Haggai 1-2; Ezra 4:24-5:2; 6:14; ***Malachi*** – Malachi 1-4