

Water of Life Community Church

JEREMIAH

WEEK 4

JEREMIAH 20

PARTICIPANT GUIDE

ICE BREAKER

PRAYER

WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION

God was about to discipline Israel by sending them into captivity for 70 years in Babylon 575BC. This would be the end of Israel being independent. They would be ruled over by others until the dispersion or scattering of the Jews that Jesus predicted in 70 AD. For 40 years Jeremiah told Israel to turn back to God or fall...and they fell.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. READ JEREMIAH 20:11.

a. Does Jeremiah sound like someone with large faith? Do you want to face challenges with faith like this? How?

b. Jeremiah was delivering an unpopular message to his fellow Jews. How would you confront your family, friends, co-workers with such an unpopular message? Have you?

c. Read Jeremiah 20:14-15; 17-18. How does he sound now?

d. Read Jeremiah 20:9. How does this verse show Jeremiah's resolve? Have you ever experienced what he is describing here?

2. READ JEREMIAH 17:14-18.

a. In verse 14, Jeremiah asks for God's help. Have you ever heard this prayer before? Have you ever prayed it?

b. Verses 15-18 are Jeremiah's heart cry. Do you know of another Old Testament writer who writes like this?

c. Read 1 Corinthians 9:16. Does Paul sound like Jeremiah? What is Paul describing here?

d. Read 2 Corinthians 5:14. According to this verse, what compels Paul, Jeremiah, and us to our calling?

3. READ 2 CHRONICLES 36:5-8.

a. This scripture describes the life of a King of Jerusalem. His end is captivity, exile, and the end of his reign. Compare with Jeremiah's story from Jeremiah 26:4-6 and 11-16. What can we learn from these two life descriptions?

b. What is God saying to you about your life choices? What compels you?

c. Read Luke 11:42-52 NLT. Jesus describes the religious leaders of His time. They refused to listen to Him. This is written for us, what can you take away from this?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Can you, like Jeremiah in chapter 17:14, believe God to truly heal you? Ask Him now.
- 2 Corinthians 5:14a says "For Christ's love compels us." Ask God to compel you.

GOING DEEPER/WEEKLY CHALLENGE

REFLECT

- Are you compelled by the Spirit? Ask God to lead you in this.

RESPOND

- Each day this week, start your day with asking God to lead you into His will.

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MEMORY VERSE

2 Corinthians 5:14a

"For Christ's love compels us."

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