

JEREMIAH PART V
“SURRENDER TO HOPE”

SCRIPTURE: JEREMIAH 30, 34; EPHESIANS 1

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INTRODUCTION

- Jeremiah’s story is all about saying yes to God.
- Last week we saw how easy it is to lose our way in our emotions and the need to surrender to the power of the Spirit.
- Jeremiah was compelled to fulfill his calling.

I. WHERE DO WE LIVE?

- How do we live? What matters most above anything?
- Jeremiah was unique. His relationship with God is a picture of us with the Spirit.
- The real power of vision, seeing beyond the present, to see as God sees is possible.
- For those who seek after Him humbly.
- Matthew 11:25, “...thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike...”
- 2 Peter 1:8-9, “...⁹But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins.”

II. SEEING BEYOND HERE AND NOW

- Paul often speaks of how God revealed things to him and how he would reveal secrets to others.
- Ephesians 1:9, “God has now revealed to us His mysterious will regarding Christ...”
- Ephesians 3:5-6, “...now by His Spirit He has revealed it to His holy apostles and prophets...”

- Ephesians 1:15-19, “...¹⁸I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope He has given to those He called—His holy people...”
- We have confident hope rooted in one thing, He is our God and we are His people.

III. LIFE IS PERSPECTIVE

- Our perspective always dictates our outcomes and our availability.
- Proper perspective is the difference between: panic and peace, defeat and victory, or confusion and clarity.
- 2 Kings 6:15-17, “...the Lord opened the young man’s eyes...the hillside...filled with horses and chariots of fire.”
- There is a reality behind reality.
- Open spiritual eyes means - Ephesians 1:18-20
 - We have hope – “The confident hope He has given to those He called.”
 - We have a promise – “His holy people who are His rich and glorious inheritance.”
 - We have strength – “The incredible greatness of God’s power for us who believe Him.”
- When we surrender, we allow the Lord to open our hearts, keeping who He is in perspective, and what He is able to do.

CLOSE

- Victory starts in surrender - Jeremiah 38:17-18
- Israel had forgotten:
 - That surrender would lead them back to God.
 - Life is all about perspective.
- Key - Surrender is the only way for a hope and a future!!!!