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OT #4

I HAVE MADE THEE THIS DAY AN IRON PILLAR

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Jer. 1-2, 15, 20, 26, 36-38  
2 Kings 22-25 (7, 40, 44, 52)

"jeremiad"

Jer. 1:3 We know how the story ends at the start - after Josiah has been king 18 yrs

v. 11 appears to be the sealing power

v. 12 almond is the earliest bloomer in the spring - God will hasten his word

v. 18 Jeremiah promised strength and inspiration

2 Kings 22-24

almond - shaped (shah-code)  
watch - shaped (shah-code)  
anticipation

No agreement among scholars as to how Jeremiah chapters are arranged, but it is not chronological

Jeremiah is called to dispell the false notion that because Jerusalem houses the temple, it can never be destroyed. (Discuss how harmful this idea is)

He preaches at the "gate" or entrance. Jer. 7:6-7 not too late for Jews to repent

ch. 7:3-14 (v. 11 quoted by Jesus) don't count on me protecting the temple -> go look at Shiloh

Note -> Jeremiah was calling temple-attending Jews to repentance

ch 2:23-24 Israel is like a donkey in heat (compare to Isaiah 1)

2:35 plead=accuse contrast Isaiah purified because he recognized his uncleanness

ch. 15: Now it does in fact seem to be too late - because of Manasseh (v. 4)

v. 2: poem about what happens to those who must leave the Lord's sight.

disease, war, starvation, captivity

-message: when you leave the Lord's sight, this is what happens to you

Message of the chapter is the destructions that will come, and Jeremiah's lament about his life

ch. 20 Jeremiah's confrontation with Pashur

v. 3 Magor missabib = Terror everywhere

v. 7 tone switches to how hard life is for Jeremiah

v. 10 ~~terror~~ terror everywhere = "fear on every side"

imagine Jeremiah's life -> constantly waiting to be betrayed or imprisoned by those with the law on their side, knowing his preaching will fail and power forbidden by God from having a family - he wishes he was never born

ch. 26 everyone's upset with Jeremiah's message & wants to kill him

much like ch. 7 v. 12-13 Jeremiah doubles down on calling Israel to repentance

26:7-10 v. 15 reminiscent of Abinadi

v. 17-18 Elders defend Jeremiah - almost like Alma the Elder defended Abinadi

ch. 36 -> this might explain the organization/order of the book of Jeremiah -> he was commanded to write it all down years later

ch. 37 - Zedekiah made king by Babylon - he asks Jeremiah, and Jer. says "Egypt is coming", but if you think that will save you, it won't. The Chaldeans will be back, and they'll carry you away captive. Then Jer. tries to run but is caught and imprisoned. The King asks him privately if there is word from YHWH, and J. says yes. you're going into captivity & death

ch. 28 Jeremiah's enemies finally get him silenced and cast in prison but he still has friends, and one of them gets permission from the King to spring him.

v. 19 - The king is afraid of his own people, and afraid of the Babylonian class of Jews. The king meets secretly with Jeremiah and asks finally what he should do. Jeremiah says "there's STILL time to repent. Turn yourself over to the Babylonians and you'll live, and the city will escape destruction."

Zedekiah doesn't want to be abused by the Babylonian Jews

Jeremiah promises him this won't happen, but

~~the "thy" is~~

v. 22 "thy" = Zedekiah's. The women will say they are led captive - Zedekiah's friends deserted him.

Zedekiah doesn't listen. Jeremiah witnesses the destruction of Jerusalem and is freed. ~~according to legend his friend smuggled him to Egypt after Jerusalem was destroyed.~~ by the Babylonians to remain in Judah.

42:10-end Jeremiah tells the poor Jews who remain in Israel he will not destroy them, but if they try to go to Egypt they will be destroyed there.

ch. 44 Jeremiah dragged to Egypt against his will; foretells the death of everyone who did it.   
 flashback to ch. 52 siege of Jerusalem

v. 31-34 Jehoiachin, the last king of Judah, is shown favor in Babylon