

Lesson 7: Jeremiah 30-35

To class: In addition to reading the assigned text above, please pick a section of the outline below that particularly interests you and use the open spaces to write in your notes as if **you** were teaching this class.

1. Promises of Future Restoration (chaps. 30-33)

A. Elements of coming Restoration (30:1-31:26)

B. The New Covenant with Israel and Judah (31:27-34)

- Repetition of themes from chapter ____ (28)
- Old proverb no longer applicable (29-30)
- Law of God written on _____ (31-33)
- Widespread knowledge of the LORD through _____ of sins (34)
- Inaugurated at Last _____ (Mt. 26:26-28; Lk 22:20): “This cup which is poured out for you and for many for *forgiveness of sins* is the *new covenant in My blood*”

C. A wider application of this covenant beyond Israel:

- Matthew 28:18-20
- Book of Acts:
- 1 Cor 11:23-26; 2 Cor 3:3-6

D. Guarantees of Restoration through the New Covenant:

- Signs of the LORD’s faithfulness from the natural world and beyond (31:35-37, 33:20-26)
- Symbolic Act concerning Jeremiah’s purchase of family property during siege (32:1-44)
- Presence of the coming _____ (33:15-16)

E. Timing/Order of Restoration:

- This issue may not have been entirely clear to the OT prophets (1Pet 1:10-12)
- Initial return of some Jews to the Land beginning around 538-537 BC (but also in our day)
- Believing remnant of Jews follow Christ at His 1st coming and begin spreading the Gospel
- Emphasis on Gentiles in present church age will shift to final ingathering of Jews around time of Christ's 2nd coming (Zechariah 12-14, Romans 11)

F. A prevailing lie being spread in our culture that is an affront to the LORD and His gracious offer of salvation through the New Covenant:

"There are many paths to God, and God can be whoever we want him/her/it to be. Let us celebrate our differing concepts of truth rather than revert back to the intolerance of those 'Bible - thumpers'. We've now gotten past their outmoded and exclusive notion that Jesus is the only way."

Scripture's clear rebuttal to such arrogance:

Isaiah 45:22 Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God and there is no _____.

John 14:6 I (Jesus) am _____ way, and _____ truth and _____ life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Acts 4:12 There is salvation in no one else (besides Jesus), for there is no other _____ under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

I John 5:12 Whoever has the _____ has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Rev 1:5b To Him (Jesus Christ) who loves us, and released us from our sins by His _____...

2. Present disregard for the LORD: Part 1 (34:1-35:19)

A. Words of the LORD to Zedekiah (34:1-22) - approx. 587 BC

- 1st word concerning Zedekiah's future (1-7)
- 2nd word concerning release of Hebrew slaves (8-22)
 - Obedience that is not _____ is not obedience.
 - The LORD takes very seriously the oaths/covenants that invoke His _____. We should as well.

B. Symbolic act with the Rechabites (35:1-19)

- The act (1-11):
- The interpretation (12-19):
 - Rechabite obedience to a deceased ancestor:
 - Judah's response to the LORD's persistent warnings: