# LESSON 11

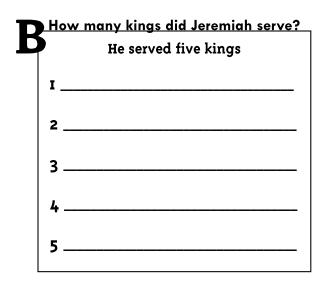
# **PROPHET JEREMIAH**

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## **PROPHET JEREMIAH**

Jeremiah 1:4-9 4Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying: 5"Before I formed you in the womb I \_\_\_\_\_\_ you; before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the nations." <sup>6</sup>Then said I: "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a \_\_\_\_\_\_." 7But the Lord said to me: "Do not say, 'I am a youth,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. <sup>8</sup>Do not be \_\_\_\_\_\_ of their faces, for I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord. <sup>9</sup>Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me: "Behold, I have put My \_\_\_\_\_\_ in your mouth."



### Pagan Worship

What did Jeremiah see around him as he was growing up? (2 Kings 23:14-15)

<sup>14</sup>And he broke in pieces the sacred \_\_\_\_\_\_ and cut down the wooden \_\_\_\_\_\_, and filled their places with the bones of men. <sup>15</sup>Moreover the altar that was at Bethel, and the high place which Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin, had made, both that \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_ place he broke down; and he burned the high place and crushed it to powder, and burned the wooden image.

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## I Belong to Him. I Am Set Apart.

#### The Call of Jeremiah (Jer 1:4-9)

The call of Jeremiah is rich in its teachings.

God is the Lord of life. God formed Jeremiah in the womb. Jeremiah had biological parents, of course, but God Himself was the one who fashioned him and knit him together in his mother's womb. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you." I knew you – what a beautiful thing for God to say to His children!

In other words, God made a personal commitment to you even before you were born! What a blessing to know that God knows you, God loves you, and God has entered into a personal relationship with you!

- "Before I was \_\_\_\_\_\_, God already \_\_\_\_\_\_ me." A.
- В. If I want to know who I am, I have to know whose I am. That means, I \_\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus Christ.
- C. Jeremiah's life was \_\_\_\_\_\_ and dedicated to \_\_\_\_\_\_ service long before he was

born. God chose him for ministry.

#### How can I apply this to my life?

- Long before I was born, God \_\_\_\_\_ me already. 1.
- I \_\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus Christ; He is my Lord and King. 2.
- My life is \_\_\_\_\_\_ to do work for God, my King. 3.



Let's read Ephesians 1:3-4. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. [...] He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love."

It said God chose us before the creation of the world. What is the purpose of God choosing us? So that we can be

and in His sight!

#### How can we be holy and blameless in His sight?

Let's read the first half of John 15:16. "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." This verse tells us that to be holy and blameless, we must bear fruit.

Now let's look at Galatians 5:22-23. This verse tells us that the fruit of the Holy Spirit is:





## **Every Christian Has a Calling!**

Everyone who believes in Christ has a special calling to a particular area of ministry. Jeremiah was not just set apart for salvation; he was set apart for serving God as a prophet. God had work for him to do. Jeremiah had a mission to accomplish and a message to deliver to his generation.

"See, I have this day set yo	ou over the nations and over th	e kingdoms, to	and t	o
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The prophet's job description includes six tasks.

- To "root out" is to dig up nations by the roots and turn them under.
- To "pull down" is to tear down a standing structure, like knocking down a city wall or toppling a tower.
- To "destroy" is another word for knocking things down.
- To "throw down" is to demolish, to bring to complete ruin.

Once the Lord roots out, pulls down, destroys, and throws down a nation, there is not much left. But when everything has been torn down and plowed under, God will start afresh. He will begin a new work. He will "build;" He will "plant." He will bring renewal out of demolition.

Of course, not everyone is a Jeremiah; Jeremiah's calling is not for everyone. But you do have a calling. God not only knew you and chose you, but He also has a plan for your life. Right now you're still young, and you're still trying to figure out what God's plan is for you.

If you are not sure, there are at least four things you must do.

- 1. Spend time in \_\_\_\_\_ and read the \_\_\_\_\_ daily.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ your family and church members.
- 3. Go to church to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Be God's \_\_\_\_\_ in the world.

The next thing you can do is to ask Him to reveal His will for your life.

#### Do Not Fear When God Calls You!

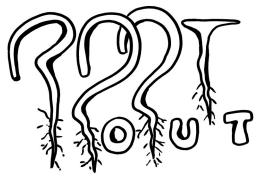
Jeremiah knew what God wanted him to do after he received his divine call. But he had two main concerns. "Ah, Lord God," he said, "Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth" (Jer 1:6). He was not sure what to say or how to say it.

In Jeremiah 1:7-8, God reassured Jeremiah, "Do not be afraid of their faces, for I am with you to deliver you."



God commanded Jeremiah not to fear and promised to rescue him. Jeremiah had the promise of God's presence. It was not easy for Jeremiah to speak God's words—God's people eventually went from idolatry to exile. It was a desolate time. But Jeremiah remained faithful.

If God has done all that for you, will you go wherever he tells you to go, and say whatever he wants you to say?



# E2 Year 3 Book 4 Lesson 11—Prophet Jeremiah Homework Assignment

Name: Parent signature:				t signa		Date:				
Weekly Bible Reading: Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading. Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.							mplete		What I Learned from the Bible This Week	
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		-	
Read									2	
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### **Memory Verse**

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Jeremiah 1:7)

#### Fill In the Blank

- 1. Jeremiah was only around \_\_\_\_\_\_ years old when God called him to be His prophet.
- 2. In order to warn the people about God's destruction, Jeremiah instructed Baruch to write God's message on a \_\_\_\_\_, but King Jehoiakim cut it up and threw it into the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Multiple Choice

- 3. \_\_\_\_\_: Jeremiah's father, Hilkiah was a \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Prophet
  - b. Levite
  - c. Priest

4. \_\_\_\_\_: God began to speak to Jeremiah, on the thirteenth year of king \_\_\_\_\_'s reign.

- a. Josiah
- b. Jehoiakim
- c. Jehoiachin
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_: When the Lord called Jeremiah, he answered that he did not know how to speak and that \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. He was too busy.
  - b. He was only a child.
  - c. He was afraid to take such an important task.
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_ : The Lord touched Jeremiah's mouth and said that He had put \_\_\_\_\_ in Jeremiah's mouth.
  - a. His words
  - b. His blessings
  - c. His curses

#### Short Answer

- 7. What did God hope for the people of Israel to do after learning about this warning?
- 8. Share about a time when you thought you were too young to do something. What can you learn from the example of prophet Jeremiah?