

EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR THE FAITH WHICH WAS ONCE DELIVERED UNTO THE SAINTS, JUDE 3

BkJer 24. I WILL GIVE THEM AN HEART TO KNOW ME

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Two Baskets of Figs (God's Chosen People) as Types of the Church in the Last Days	
very good figs: remnant of God's chosen people (<u>Jer 30:7</u>)	very naughty figs: rest of God's chosen people (Ro 9:6-8,27)
application: true church	application: apostate church
God's Gentile Nations: representing the upsaved	

and God's dealing with them are included in chapter 25

Very Important Note: chapter 24 and this application does not include the unsaved

The Timing of This Prophecy

Jeremiah 24:1 The LORD shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs *were* set before the temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.

God showed Jeremiah a vision (v.1)

Jeremiah 24:2 One basket *had* very good figs, *even* like the figs *that are* first ripe: and the other basket *had* very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad. Jeremiah 24:3 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

I have sent them: (into a foreign land) for their good (He 12:9-10) testing, trials: (Jas 1:2-4; 1Pe 1:6-9; 2Pe 2:9; He 12:5-6; Php 1:29) to bear fruit: (Joh 15:1-8,16; 12:24-25; Mt 13:23)

I will bring them again to this land: I will build them, and not pull *them* down; I will plant them, and not pluck *them* up.

Jeremiah 24:4 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Jeremiah 24:5 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so will I acknowledge them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans for *their* good.

Jeremiah 24:6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will plant them, and not pluck *them* up.

Note: God knows who will turn to Him with their whole heart

The reason they are God's chosen remnant... (they choose to: return to God with their whole heart)

Jeremiah 24:7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I *am* the LORD: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.

Destiny of the naughty figs:

I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth... for *their* hurt

Jeremiah 24:8 And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:

Jeremiah 24:9 And I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for *their* hurt, *to be* a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.

Jeremiah 24:10 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.

The naughty figs: the disobedient, unbelieving, those who disregard God's word; if they do not return to God; they will be consumed from off the land (kingdom). Church Application: if they do not return to God with their whole heart; they will miss the rapture, the kingdom; and their destiny will be eternal torment in the Lake of Fire.

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(those who return to God; hear, keep, and do His word) Jeremiah 24:7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the LORD: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: <u>for they shall return unto me with</u> <u>their whole heart.</u> (Jer 22:15-16; choices are important, <u>Eze 24:14</u>; <u>Mt 16:27</u>; Joh 12:48)

Jeremiah 9:23 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, let not the rich *man* glory in his riches: Jeremiah 9:24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I *am* the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD.

John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. John 16:8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

John 16:10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; John 16:11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

Only those who seek to know God and His word understand this passage