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

BkJer 21. and 22. THE WAY OF LIFE AND THE WAY OF DEATH

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Review: kings of Judah during Jeremiah's prophetic ministry and the spiritual condition of God's people ([Jer 3:6-11](#))

Josiah son of Amon, the last good king of Judah

Age	Reign Year	Year BC	Notes
8		c. 640	began reigning as king of Judah (2Ch 34:1)
16	8	c. 632	began to seek after God (2Ch 34:3)
20	12	c. 628	began purging Judah and Jerusalem (v. 3)
21	13	c. 627	Jeremiah began prophesying (Jer 1:1-3 ; 14-16)
26	18	c. 622	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. law of the LORD found (2Ch 34:14-18) 2. fear of God came on Josiah (2Ch 34:19) 3. Josiah seeks God's counsel (2Ch 34:22-28) 4. And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book. (2Ch 34:31-32) red hot REVIVAL, 13 years 5. he purged and made all the countries that pertained to the children of Israel as well to serve and follow the LORD their God (v. 33) 6. he kept the Passover unto the LORD and set up the various ministries, priests, Levites, and singers according to the commandments and ordinances of the law of God (2Ch 35: 1-17) 7. the greatest Passover ever (2Ch 35:18-19) 8. no other king like Josiah (2Ki 23:25-26)

Josiah's four sons and one grandson succeeded him; each were wicked kings; the firstborn Johanan (Jehoahaz), ([2Ki 23:29-33](#)), reigned 3 months, the second Jehoiakim (Eliakim), ([2Ki 23:34-37](#)), reigned 11 years, followed by his son Jehoiachin (Jeconiah, Coniah), ([2Ki 24:6-9](#)), reigned 3 mo, the third Zedekiah (Mattaniah), ([2Ki 24:17-19](#)), reigned 11 years, the fourth Shallum ([1Ch 3:15](#); [Jer 22:10-12](#)); reign tenure not recorded.

c. 586 BC king Nebuchadnezzar destroyed Jerusalem, the Temple, and deported all Judah to Babylon

Jeremiah chapter 21

And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD;
Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death. (Jer 21:8)

Jeremiah 21:1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

Jeremiah 21:2 Inquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us.

Jeremiah 21:3 Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

Jeremiah 21:4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that *are* in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and *against* the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.

Jeremiah 21:5 And I myself will fight against you with an outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath.

Jeremiah 21:6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

Jeremiah 21:7 And afterward, saith the LORD, I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy.

Jeremiah 21:8 And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death.

Jeremiah 21:9 He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey.

Jeremiah 21:10 For I have set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.

Jeremiah 21:11 And touching the house of the king of Judah, say, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

Jeremiah 21:12 O house of David, thus saith the LORD; Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver *him that is* spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.

Jeremiah 21:13 Behold, I *am* against thee, O inhabitant of the valley, *and* rock of the plain, saith the LORD; which say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?

Jeremiah 21:14 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.

Jeremiah chapter 22

Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man *that* shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah. (Jer 22:30)

Jeremiah 22:1 Thus saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word,

Jeremiah 22:2 And say, Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:

Jeremiah 22:3 Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.

Jeremiah 22:4 For if ye do this thing indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his servants, and his people.

Jeremiah 22:5 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by myself, saith the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

Jeremiah 22:6 For thus saith the LORD unto the king's house of Judah; Thou *art* Gilead unto me, *and* the head of Lebanon: *yet* surely I will make thee a wilderness, *and* cities *which* are not inhabited.

Jeremiah 22:7 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down thy choice cedars, and cast *them* into the fire.

Jeremiah 22:8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?

Jeremiah 22:9 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

Jeremiah 22:10 Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: *but* weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

Jeremiah 22:11 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more:

Jeremiah 22:12 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

Jeremiah 22:13 Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; *that* useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;

Jeremiah 22:14 That saith, I will build me a wide house and large chambers, and cutteth him out windows; and *it is* cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

Jeremiah 22:15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself* in cedar? did not thy father eat and drink, and do judgment and justice, *and* then *it was* well with him?

Jeremiah 22:16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then *it was* well *with him*: was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 22:17 But thine eyes and thine heart *are* not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for violence, to do *it*.

Jeremiah 22:18 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah; They shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory!

Jeremiah 22:19 He shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

Jeremiah 22:20 Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages: for all thy lovers are destroyed.

Jeremiah 22:21 I spake unto thee in thy prosperity; *but* thou saidst, I will not hear. This *hath been* thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.

Jeremiah 22:22 The wind shall eat up all thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.

Jeremiah 22:23 O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail!

Jeremiah 22:24 As I live, saith the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;

Jeremiah 22:25 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand *of them* whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

Jeremiah 22:26 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

Jeremiah 22:27 But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return.

Jeremiah 22:28 *Is* this man Coniah a despised broken idol? *is he* a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

Jeremiah 22:29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

Jeremiah 22:30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man *that* shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

Jesus said... **I am the light of the world:
he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness,
but shall have the light of life. John 8:12**

Jeremiah	<p>Type of Christ the Rock:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. known before; ordained in the womb; 2. wholeheartedly obedient to the Father; 3. prophesied only the word of God; 4. compassionate yet unwavering in message and in a lifestyle of holiness; 5. grieved over the people because of their hard hearts and disobedience; 6. never left or forsook the people; 7. taught love and obey God, or judgment.
Josiah	<p>Type of the true Church:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. consistently seeks God's will; 2. walks in obedience to God's word; 3. on fire in worship and holiness; 4. disciplines disobedience; 5. refuses to compromise with the world; 6. delivers those repentant and obedient; 7. taken out (rapture) before God's wrath.
<p>The kings of Judah after Josiah; Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah, Shallum</p>	<p>Type of the visible Church:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. dead, lukewarm, or apostate; 2. disobedient to God's word; 3. cold or nominal in worship of God; 4. worships and serves other gods; 5. does not discipline disobedience; 6. offers no true deliverance to the world; 7. merges with the world.

GRACE, FAITH, AND WORKS FOR SALVATION ([Eph 2:8-10](#); [Ga 2:16](#))

Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks:
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things;
hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil.

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and
I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless
unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. **1 Th 5:16-23**

1 Samuel 15:23 For rebellion *is* as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness *is* as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from *being* king.

1 Samuel 16:1 And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons.

2 Kings 17:20 And the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight.

2 Kings 17:21 For he rent Israel from the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin.

2 Kings 17:22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them;

2 Kings 17:23 Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his servants the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.

(Isa 53:1-12) **Isaiah 53:3** He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

(Jer 6:26-30) **Jeremiah 6:30** Reprobate silver shall *men* call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.

(Mt 21:42-44) **Matthew 21:42** Jesus saith unto them, **Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?**

John 12:48 **He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.**

Titus 3:10 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject;

(He 12:14-17) **Hebrews 12:17** For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

(1Sa 8:7-9) **1 Samuel 8:7** And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

(Pr 1:20-33) **Proverbs 1:24** Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

Proverbs 10:17 He *is in* the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

Proverbs 13:18 Poverty and shame *shall be to* him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

Proverbs 15:32 He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.

(Isa 1:8-20) **Isaiah 1:20** But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

Proverbs 1:23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

(Pr 2:1-5) **Proverbs 2:1** My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

(Pr 4:20-22) **Proverbs 4:20** My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.