

RUN WITH THE HORSES

Jeremiah Series Guide
Part 10



WEEK 10

Sermon Notes:

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. 33 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Jeremiah 31:31-34 ESV

1 “And when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before you, and you call them to mind among all the nations where the LORD your God has driven you, 2 and return to the LORD your God, you and your children, and obey his voice in all that I command you today, with all your heart and with all your soul, 3 then the LORD your God will restore your fortunes and have mercy on you, and he will gather you again from all the peoples where the LORD your God has scattered you. 4 If your outcasts are in the uttermost parts of heaven, from there the LORD your God will gather you, and from there he will take you. 5 And the LORD your God will bring you into the land that your fathers possessed, that you may possess it. And he will make you more prosperous and numerous than your fathers. 6 And the LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your offspring, so that you will love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live. 7 And the LORD your God will put all these curses on your foes and enemies who persecuted you.”

Deuteronomy 30:1-7 ESV

“This is my comfort in my affliction, that your promises give me life.”

Psalms 119:50 ESV

Commentary

“The book Jeremiah read was Deuteronomy. Discovered in the course of the temple repairs, it was the handbook for Josiah’s reform. Jeremiah grew up with the book. He pondered and absorbed its message. He didn’t read the book as a scholar, analyzing and explaining it (although it is unlikely that he would reject such concerns); he didn’t read the book as a reformer, searching for the principles that could be applied to society to make it whole (although he participated in such search and application); he read it as a person addressed personally by God. Everything that Jeremiah preached and later wrote shows the influence of what he read.”

Eugene Peterson, Run With The Horses, pg 118.

“Jeremiah heard in the heart of Deuteronomy the call of God (and) uttered his Amen to it.”

Eugene Peterson, Run With The Horses, pp 118-119.

“Reading Deuteronomy Jeremiah developed a theology. He learned to think of God in a comprehensive, ordered, relational way. Deuteronomy presents God in a loyal, committed relationship of love with his people. God is not a random thought. God is not a word to fill in the gaps of what we don’t know. God is actively, energetically dealing with people in love. Love is the key and characteristic word in the book. This love is both God’s character and his command. Because we are under this kind of God, there is no living worth the name that is not a participation in that love.

Eugene Peterson, Run With The Horses, pg 119

Small Group Guide

This section is to be used to turn the message into a small group. Gather up some people, find a space to meet, and use this as a guide.

Connect with each other, introduce yourself and share a bit about who you are. Each week you are together, go a little deeper and more personal. Everyone wants to belong somewhere.

Summarize. Take turns summarizing the message in your own words. allow everyone to participate in summarizing the message. Not a personal application yet, just take turns summarizing the message and build it in its entirety. Make sure you as a small group leader are filling any gaps; the main point, scripture, and the end of the message.

Personal. This section will allow you to go deeper and be sensitive to God's activity in people's lives. Ask questions and facilitate questions around what God is saying and doing in the lives of the people you're leading. Go over the main scriptures from the message.

Application. Take this time to ask what everyone will be doing with what they heard from the message. What will you do with what you heard? From what you heard out of the message, what is God asking you to be or to do?

Pray. Take some time to pray with each other.

Jeremiah Reading Plan:

Join our entire church family in reading through the book of Jeremiah together.
Jeremiah 47-52



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