



UNIT 7 JEREMIAH AND THE PROPHETIC MOVEMENT

A Study of Jeremiah as an Introduction to Old Testament Prophecy.

FOREWORD:

For this unit you will need an exercise book or loose leaf binder and a Bible. We suggest you use the New International Version (NIV) or New Revised Standard Version (NRSV). For more detailed information reference should be made to:

The New Bible Commentary (Revised)

The New Bible Dictionary (Both are published by Inter-Varsity Press.)

Also The Lion Handbook of the Bible and R.K. Harrison's Commentary on Jeremiah and Lamentations could be helpful (but not essential). (Tyndale Press).

There are 10 Lessons in all.

Each lesson contains 5 questions.

These are to be answered in approximately half a page each.

On completion of Lessons One to Five please forward your responses to the registrar for marking. These will be returned to you.

On completion of Lessons Six to Ten forward your responses to the registrar for marking, and these will be returned to you with your certificate.

The questions are designed to push the student to study beyond the notes to the Bible itself and also to think of the application.

There is a 6th question included in each Lesson.

This is for discussion for anyone studying "Jeremiah" in a group. The answers to these questions are not to be sent in for marking.

A glossary is included to explain the meaning of any unfamiliar words.

**GLOSSARY FOR UNIT 7**

1. anomalies: irregularities.
2. apocalyptic: symbolic.
3. apostasy: loss of religious faith.
4. appendix: smaller addition (to a book or document).
5. Baal: Phoenician and Canaanite god; false god.
6. chronological: arrangement of events according to times of occurrence.
7. circumcision: act of cutting off foreskin; Jewish and Muslim rite.
8. compatriots: fellow countrymen and women.
9. contemporaries: those people belonging to the same time as oneself.
10. deity: divine status, a god.
11. denunciations: denounce; say something is wrong.
12. discourses: talks, conversations, sermons.
13. fetish: principle or object irrationally worshipped.
14. imminent: soon to happen.
15. impotence: powerlessness, helplessness.
16. Lament: passionate expression of grief.
17. messianic: inspired by the belief or hope in a Messiah or promised deliverer of Jews.
18. metaphor: descriptive term given to an object which is not literally applicable. (e.g. food for thought)
19. monotheistic: belief in only one God.
20. odes: poems meant to be sung.
21. oracles: advice or prophecies (often obscure) given by gods to Ancient Greeks and others.
22. pagan: heathen or irreligious.
23. polytheistic: belief in and worship of many gods.
24. portents: omens; significant signs of something to come.
25. postscript: additional paragraph at end of letter or document.
26. punctilious: attentive to details.
27. retributive: recompense, usually for evil done.
28. rhetorical: expressed with a view to impressive effect.
29. rhetorical question: asked not for information but to produce an effect.
30. ritual: set order of performing religious acts.
31. ultimate: last, final, fundamental.
32. universal: belonging to or done by all persons in the world.
33. vindicate: to clear of suspicion and show to be innocent.