

# 1970 Pearl Harbor Special

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Jeremiah began in 626 B.C. under Josiah, one of the good kings; in fact, one of the greatest. The Jews were involved in mental idolatry. Then Jehoahaz, who was his second son, put on the throne by Pharaoh Necho, who put Jehoahaz on the throne after defeating Josiah. A switch in rulership, and then Nebuchadnezzar came to Israel. 598–586 B.C. was a new rulership, with Josiah's 3<sup>rd</sup> son.

This is the first of 6 oracles given by Jeremiah during the rulership of Josiah. The Jews, again, are seen as the right woman of Jesus Christ. God says to the Jews, "Am I boring you? Am I disturbing you? Why do My people say, 'We roam freely. We will not come again to You' " Does God bore you? Do you find coming to church very boring? Is it painful? If that is true, we are in the same boat as these Jews from Judah. This is strictly between ourselves and God. We are the only ones who can answer this. If we don't care for doctrine, then we have no capacity for love and we are bored with doctrine.

Do you love your bf, gf, children, parents? Or do they bore you? That means no capacity for love. When you are bored, you are saying, "I am dull." It is not that we are boring you; it is that you have no capacity for life; you have no capacity for God.

Jer. 2:31 "O generation [or, *race*], concentrate on the Word of Jehovah. Have I been a wilderness [a dried up land] to Israel, or a land of fear-darkness? Why do My people say, 'We roam freely; we will come no more to You?'

There was a point in the history of Israel when they loved God; they loved Bible doctrine. Sometimes, it is in the memory center that we need to go to. The ornaments found in v. 32 are grace gifts from God; because He loves Judah, he has given great gifts.

If a gal wants to be snotty with her guy, she will take up all of the little gifts and send them back or box them up or something like this. The rw treasures these things because she associates them with her rm.

The bride of the ancient world had a fabulous gown. Around the middle was an ornamental belt, keshur is the word and it is called a girdle, but it is worn on the outside. It gave the robes style. This is a moment of great memory for rm/rw. God says, "Can you forget the wonderful gifts and blessings from association with Me?" A women with a right man will leave the rm at times, but she will never forget him. However, the people of Israel have forgotten God.

Jer 2:32 [Can a virgin forget her ornaments](#) [gifts from her right man], [or a bride her ornamental wedding girdle?](#) Yet My people have forgotten Me days without number.

All that is going on is going to result in the 5<sup>th</sup> cycle of discipline.

There is a Hebrew idiom here. They are trying to find their way, but they cannot find it apart from their *rm*, Who is God. A woman is trying to fake out everyone with the wrong man, to act like she is doing well; however, it means nothing. She is seeking to gain from her wrong man, but she cannot. There is no substitute for God's plan or God's way. Spiritually, you will head off after some substitute. You try to get into some movement of some sort. All of these things are cheap substitutes. Believers who are negative toward doctrine are unhappy but trying to find happiness; even, if it involves self hypnosis. Just like a woman giving her body to the wrong man, but she does not find happiness, but soul torture.

The more that you attempt to find happiness apart from God; and you try any substitute and you will never be happy apart from Bible doctrine. There are things which are considered legitimate and illegitimate; but it does not matter; you cannot chase after substitutes and expect to find happiness. Believers go through the tongues movement, some victorious life thing, or some alternate approach; but the only way is to go after Bible doctrine through grace apparatus for perception. The emphasis in Berachah is the teaching of the Word of God.

Who has to train you how to witness if you love Jesus Christ? You don't have to think in terms of systems or answer this if they say that, etc. There is no substitute for Bible doctrine. Anything which is substituted for doctrine is evil; even if these things are not sinful. Even mental stimulation is not a substitute for loving Jesus Christ. No Bible doctrine and we are running around with cheap substitutes.

You can't try to fake love of God by singing, witnessing, praying, etc. However, there is only one way; we have to love a person Whom we have never seen, and we must know Him through the Word. This is the only way that we can know Jesus Christ. Our capacity to love Jesus Christ is based upon the intake of Bible doctrine.

Jer 2:33 [How good \[or, how nice\] you make your way to seek love? Therefore you have also taught \[or trained your ways to\] a principle \[or, system\] of evil women your ways.](#)

The next few verses give us the results. Kanaphim = the long, flowing robe of a judge about to pronounce a verdict. 1Sam. 15:27 and two other places, this is used the same way.

The system of justice found in the Word of God is the most objective law anywhere. It calls for several witnesses; people were convicted on the basis of laws of evidence. Questions were eliminated with regards to self-incrimination (really?). There were specific punishments for specific crimes.

Two great systems of law: SPQR the law of the Roman empire. Innocent until proven guilty. If a lower court finds you guilty without following correct jurisprudence, then you could appeal to a higher court. Jewish law was also exceptionally objective. Roman law was infiltrated with expediency and the Jewish law had been filled with legalism. These two great systems of law met for the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. These two great

systems of law were used to persecute born again believers as well. In Jeremiah, some were burned for not participating in idolatry. The law was distorted.

Jeremiah went to prison many times and they wanted to kill Jeremiah, but God's plan called for Jeremiah to be kept alive. Those who are guilty of crime go free (those who sacrifice their children); but these robes of judges have been dipped in the blood of innocents. The people who demonstrate their love for the Lord, the law is used to persecute innocent people 2Kings 21:16. Jeremiah is speaking of his day; but there is also Menasseh, Jeconiah, Zedekiah, Jehoakim would all do the same things which are found here.

When believers do not truly love Jesus Christ, they always find some system for self-justification. When believers do not truly love Jesus Christ, they always seek to justify whatever cheap substitute that they pick up. Self justification is a must for those types.

Jer 2:34 *Also in your flowing robes [of judges] is discovered [or, found] the blood of the souls of the poor innocents [believers]; I did not find them by breaking in, but on all these.*

Josiah said, "Well, God has not brought the 5<sup>th</sup> cycle of discipline to us, so He is not angry with us." They will think up a system and then use it to justify themselves. "I have been innocent; I have been blameless. God does not change His character or His grace to accommodate your negativism, your sin. "If this is true, then why aren't we dead right now? We are still alive so we must be okay." This is how they justify their own lives. You can go through all kinds of cheap substitutes and say, "I am innocent." But you are not; if you don't take in God's Word, then you are not innocent.

You think that God is like you. Step out of line and He is going to turn on us. The worst people are those who sound holy.

Now, we may think that God is going to get on His knees and plead with us, but the word is shaphat, in the Niphal. I myself will judge you. The judgment is already beginning, but we don't know.

Jer 2:35 *Yet you say, Because I am innocent [or, blameless], surely His anger shall turn from me. Behold, I myself will judge you, because you say, I have not sinned.*

This results in a disastrous foreign policy. Azah is to be impetuous to go down to Egypt. Isaiah warns over and over again about going down to Egypt. One form of human viewpoint leads to another. A self-righteous people, which he have in the world council and national council of churches. They are going to depend upon Egypt, and Egypt will let them down. In the days of King Ahaz, they depended upon Assyria.

Jer 2:36 *Why do you depart impetuously [or, go about so much] to change your way? You also shall be ashamed of Egypt, as you were ashamed of Assyria.*

The national council of prophets and priests are very much in favor of depending upon

Egypt. Hands over the head is a sign of slavery. We find it in 2Sam. they depended upon things which God has rejected. They reject Bible doctrine which gives them capacity. God does not love our cheap substitutes; and their confidences in Egypt would result in slavery.

Salak + the negative: they would never succeed. Our capacity to love in every facet of life, it depends upon Bible doctrine. There is no substitute for Bible doctrine.

Jer 2:37 [Yes, you shall go out from this place, and your hands on your head. For Jehovah has rejected those in whom you trust, and you will not prosper by them.](#)

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We will also study a passage in Jeremiah and get more of the true story of Pearl Harbor and what really happened. Brains, ingenuity and a year of planning at Pearl Harbor.

Bob just back from Wichita, Kansas; some of them drove 300 miles one way, listened to 3 hours of teaching, and then hung out and asked questions for an hour. People came from Nebraska, Missouri, Oklahoma and as well as, pardon the expression, Arkansas. A marvelous auditorium with the temperature at 60; one could be exhausted and sleepy, and still able to take in the Word of God.

A grace appeal in v. 1; grace can overturn a lot of things. If a man puts away his wife means to divorce. Shalach; it also means to dismiss. This is ish dismissing his ishshah. She ran away from him and was unfaithful. She was unfaithful before he dismissed her. RM/RW is the analogy. Jesus Christ is the RM and Judah is His RW. Once a woman become unfaithful to her RM, certain principles come into play. His love is short-circuited and she suffers soul pain. The paramours here are idols; the Jews have gone in for idolatry. Apostasy is comparable to divorce. The man did not divorce the Ishshah until she went and slept with another man.

After a woman commits adultery, may the man return to her? The Mosaic Law recognizes that he can't. However, there is a grace answer in this situation: "May He yet return to her?" Under these conditions, would not the land suffer? In Deuteronomy, this answer is, the land would suffer. Lev. 18:6– teaches the same concept. It now looks like a hopeless situation. In Jer. 2:25 (which was studied last Sunday?).

In category #2 love, this would pollute the land; however, not under cat. #1 love. Qal perfect of zanah, which means *to fornicate*; this has been done in the past. In the analogy, the woman goes to several different men. The people of Judah is like the footed filly camel in heat. The female ass keeps smelling the air, hoping to pick up the scent of a male ass.

Here is a woman who has fornicated all over the place; one had some funny lines; another was very serious; another is blonde, another has dark hair; and she goes from one bed to another.

Many lovers, yet return to Me again, says the Lord. Qal infinitive absolute of shub, which

is a stronger imperative than an imperative. You have been unfaithful and indiscriminant and a man can dump a woman who has slept with another man; but, God will take Judah back. We should get the idea that the Jews do not earn or deserve God's love. The literal rendering is very strong. The woman has been highly unfaithful. No *amer* and no *dabar* but the word here is *naam*, which means *to speak in a low, pleasant voice*. A Qal passive participle. This is a phenomenal grace invitation. When you return to the Lord, you come back to something which is incredible and perfect. If you stay out, you will be as bad as the Arab in the desert.

Jer 3:1 They say, If a man puts away his wife, and [because—a causal wâw] she goes from him and will be for another man, may he [yet] return to her? Would not that land be greatly defiled? But you play the harlot with many lovers; yet come back to Me, says Jehovah.

Qal imperative of *to lift up*, which means *to lift up your head when you look up*. There are bare topped mountains all over. These were mountains used for the phallic cult. These hills are higher than those found around Jerusalem. Hos. 4:13 1Kings 4:23. The woman Ashterah, Ishtar; and the man over the oven, Baal (Molech?). You make an offering first and then join in with the group sex orgy.

When this does not work, you dance erotically with others and put your children into the fire and get excited while they scream. Temples of bestiality. Shagal, which even Bob won't translate. Pual stem means to have violent sex without true satisfaction. This is in the name of idolatry? "On which hill have you not been ravished?"

Along the highways, you have cohabited with others; even after coming back from having sex on the high places. The Bedouine lies in wait in the desert to rob those who come by; this woman waits along side the road desiring anyone who comes along for sex. He does it for money and the woman tries to gain happiness from it.

Capacity for happiness and for life come from Bible doctrine. A minister came from Manhattan, Kansas. "You teach over an hour? Every night?" When he heard the schedule, he said, "Gosh, you never have any fun." The further you go from the Lord, the less details will make you happy. The closer you are to God, the more you can enjoy the details of life. Once you develop the capacity to love doctrine, your capacity for life increases as well. If you go the other way, you are like an Arab lying out in the desert. It would be like Bob looking us right in the eye and calling us an SOB. The Jews did not appreciate being called Arabs in the desert. It is strong language.

You have polluted the land with your whoredoms; idolatry and fornication went together. Sometimes they mixed it all up.

Jer 3:2 Lift up your eyes to the high places, and see where have you not been lain with [or, *ravished*]? By the highways you have had sex for them, like the Arabian in the wilderness; and you have defiled the land with your fornications and with your wickedness.

When showers are held back, that means there is an economic depression. The economy

of the nation has been hurt. You have a whore's forehead—what does that mean? Bob heard it once at Dallas as some kind of a mark. Commentaries have nothing to offer here. They go off on weird tangents. The people of Jeremiah's time understood. If the woman's forehead is smooth, no matter what she says, she is not satisfied. The woman cannot hide her feelings from her RW. If she is happy, this can be seen in her forehead. There is no way a woman can have this series of ridges; it cannot be faked. She can make all of the proper noises and all of the proper declarations, but if she does not have it in the forehead, then she is not telling the truth. The prostitute could care less; her forehead would be smooth, even though she might be convincing her John that he is the greatest lover ever. Here, the Jews are compared to a whore faking out some character (as they tried to fake out God). This is strapping it on God; this is doing these things for some other reason other than capacity #1 love. To say that you love the Word and to cry out how much they love Jesus is phoney. You do not love Jesus Christ with 1 cc of doctrine. This is one of the great takeouts in history.

You refused to suffer disappointment. Even though they just give lip service and even though it is a lie, they are just strapping it on.

Jer 3:3 **Therefore the showers have been withheld, and there has been no latter rain; and you had a harlot's forehead, you refused to be ashamed [or, to suffer disappointment].**

When you have gotten to the lowest point, then you can come and call to God. You only have to do it once. The Qal perfect means you just have to do it once. This is a prayer, and it is addressed to the Father. Aloof, is used here; not guide but right man. Call to Me, "My Father, you are the right man of my youth."

God does not take us back and ask us to review our failures over and over again, as we might get in marriage.

Jer 3:4 **Will you not from this time call to Me, "My father, You are the guide [right man] of my youth?"**

Qal imperfect of natar. "Will He always bear a grudge?" This is the rejection of Jeremiah's ministry. Will He God always bear and grudge and cherish this grudge?" God keeps on saying, come back. God cannot change. He does not change His perfect character.

Jer 3:5 **Will He keep His anger [or, bear a grudge] forever? Will He keep it to the end?" [God answers them]: "Behold, you have spoken and done all the evil things you could do."**

However long you have put doctrine off, you will need to come back to it.

There was no information on Pearl Harbor.