

Iain Duguid "In this chapter, the prophet is called on to act as prosecuting counsel, making known to Jerusalem in detail her detestable ways, which form the basis for both the actuality and the immediacy of divine judgment."

Matthew Henry "Sinners do that which provokes God because they forget him; they forget their descent from him, dependence on him, and obligations to him; they forget how valuable his favor is ... and how formidable his wrath ..."

Deuteronomy 8:19 19 Then it shall be, if you by any means forget the LORD your God, and follow other gods ... I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish. (NKJV)

Matthew Henry "Those who should have been the brightest examples of virtue were ringleaders in iniquity and patterns of vice."

Derek Thomas "A society is only as good as its leaders ... Bad leadership explains the fall of Jerusalem, too."

Iain Duguid "No one was found to deflect God's wrath, and thus the all-consuming fiery anger of God ... [would] descend on Jerusalem."

Derek Thomas "The sad feature of this chapter is the lack of an intercessor. But behind it lies the shadow of the one whose intercession would be mighty before God."

Hebrews 7:25 25 Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. (NKJV)