

**Overview :**

Moab is the next nation brought before God's judgment bar in Jeremiah's prophecies. The word of the Lord had been given to Moab over one century before by the prophet Isaiah in chapters 15 & 16. Those predictions were fulfilled when the Assyrian king Shalmaneser invaded and distressed Moab (2 Kings 17 & 18). But Jeremiah is told to give the final prophecy of desolations of Moab by the Babylonians under Nebuzaradan, the captain of the guard, servant of Nebuchadnezzar. These events occurred about five years after the destruction of Jerusalem recorded in Jeremiah chapter 39.

The judgment was great and extended itself to all parts of the country.

The main themes of the chapter are interwoven throughout.

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| I. The Causes of the Judgment      | v 11, 14, 17, 29-30, 35, 42             |
| II. The Cities in the Judgment     | v 8, 20-24, 34, 41, 45                  |
| III. The Calendar of Judgment      | v 16                                    |
| IV. The Character of the Judgment  | v 1-4, 6, 9-12, 18-19, 25-28, 33, 43-44 |
| V. The Crying in the Judgment      | v 3-5, 17, 31-32, 36-39                 |
| VI. The Certainty of the Judgment  | v 44                                    |
| VII. The Captivity in the Judgment | v 46                                    |
| VIII. The Comfort in the Judgment  | v 47                                    |

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