

I. The Prophet's assignment

v 1 - 5

Jeremiah is commanded to search the nation for a faithful man (v 1).

- v 1 the End-times are evil-times - **Ezekiel 22:30, Micah 7:2**
- v 2 religious hypocrites - **Psalm 78:35-37, Titus 1:16**
- v 3 the Lord's vision, *eyes* - **1 Kings 9:3**
- v 4 spiritual ignorance - Jer 8:7, **Matthew 16:2-4**
- v 5 *the great men* - two types in the Bible : 1. Earthly - Josh 14:15 (Arba) 2 K 5:1 (Naaman)
2. Heavenly - **Isaiah 66:2, Jeremiah 6:16**

II. The Lord's Assessment

v 6 - 25

Since no faithful man is left, the Lord assesses the lack of fruit, and threatens Judah with the 'Day of Visitation' (v 9).

- v 6 Sin's penalty is predatory ~ *lion, wolf, leopard*
- v 7 A Lost Generation - *thy children have forsaken me* **Psalm 78:1-6**
- v 9 The Day of Visitation is coming hx: chapter 39 doct: The Tribulation
- v 10 *take away her battlements* - hx: Judah's walled cities, spir: perversions (false bibles)
Why? - *for they are not the Lord's !!*
- v 11-12 They did not believe God's prophet when he spake God's words of imminent judgment.
- v 13 Judah's false prophets (v 31) despise God's true word
- v 14 *this word* = false prophecy, spir: Today's modern bible teachers are stink at prophecy
- v 15-17 hist: Babylonian invasion spir: the Hebrew/Greek scholar invasion of evangelicals
- v 20-23 God *declares that foolish people without understanding publish* false bibles.
And those who read them acquire a rebellious heart.

III. The Leader's Arrogance

v 26 - 31

The Lord describes the *wicked men* who *set snares and traps of deceit and wax rich*.
spir: Hebrew/Greek scholars and the money (\$\$) they make from *publishing* (v20).

IV. The Lord's Assurance

v 10 & 18

I will not make a full end of thee **1 Thes 2:16, Romans 11:1 & 5-6, Exo 33:12-13**

Truth / Irony: the words - *judge, judgment* and *truth* are found 7x in this chapter.
love is only found once in verse 31.