Jeremiah 31:31-40 The Transition From the Old Covenant to the New Covenant Hebrews 8:1-14 The New Testament Fulfillment Text to the Prophetic Premise

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#### Jeremiah 31:31-34

- "Thus says the Lord" Days are coming → New Covenant with Israel & Judah
  - Contextually
    - Israel has been Judged, Cast, Scattered and Removed by God
      - 2 Kings 15 → 2 Kings 17
      - By the Assyrian Nation/Empire
    - Only the Nation of Judah is standing before God
      - Tribes of Judah and Benjamin
- The New Covenant will not be a replica of the Old Covenant
  - Which the Hebrew Fathers broke that was made when God brought the Nation out of Egyptian Bondage
  - \* Israel/Hebrew Nation broke that Covenant
- The New Covenant Emphasis
  - Covenant where the "Law" is written in God's peoples' hearts/inward parts vs. the
    Old Mosaic, Levitical Covenant that was written on a) Stone and b) Papyrus/Paper
  - God will be their God and they will be His People
  - o God will 1) forgive the sins of His people and 2) remember their sins no more

#### Jeremiah 31:35-37

[Prophetic, Figurative, Apocalyptic Language/Terminology detailing the Transition from Old to New Covenant]

- "Thus says the Lord"
  - Who gives the Sun for Light by Day [Old Covenant Context]
    - \*Scriptural reference for God leading Israel in a pillar of cloud by Day
  - Ordinances of Moon and Stars for Light by Night [Old Covenant Context]
    - \*Scriptural reference for God leading Israel in a fiery pillar of cloud by Night
  - God Divides the Sea when the Waves thereof Roar [Old Covenant Context]
    - \*Scriptural reference of God's Judgement on a Nation
      - \*Divides the Sea/Nation when the Waves are Roaring
  - o If/When these Old Covenant Ordinances depart
    - Sun for Light by Day, Moon for Light by Night, Dividing of the Sea when the Waves Roar
    - \*\* Then Israel will Cease/Ceases to be a Nation (Covenantal Nation) before God Forever \*\*

- o If/When
  - \*Heaven is measured\*
    - Scriptural reference for God referring to the "Heaven of Old Covenant" Israel in Prophetic Language/Literature
  - \*Foundations of the Earth searched out beneath
    - Scriptural reference for God referring to the "Earth of Old Covenant" Israel in Prophetic Language/Literature
  - God will cast off "All the Seed of Israel for All that they have done
    - \*\*Broken the Old/Mosaic/Levitical Covenantal Agreement
- Jeremiah 31:38-40 → \*Judgement on the Nation and City for Breaking the Old Covenant
- [Prophetic, Figurative, Apocalyptic Language/Terminology detailing the Transition from Old to New Covenant]
- The City shall be Built/Rebuilt
  - After it is Judged, Torn Down, Plucked/Rooted Up
    - From the North
    - To the West
    - To the South
    - To the Southeast
- Dead Bodies and Ashes in the Southern Sector
  - The Brook Kidron
  - Toward the Corner of the Horse Gate Toward the East
    - Law vs. Righteousness [Faith]
- The Built/Rebuilt City
  - \*Shall not be plucked up nor thrown down again "Forever"
  - Foundation Premise of "New Jerusalem"
    - Eternal City vs. Old Jerusalem
    - Indestructible/Unconquerable vs. Conquered Old City
    - Eternal City, Eternal Covenant, Eternal City
      - Stands/Lasts Forever

# The Prophet Jeremiah's and the Nation of Judah's Contextual Overview

## Jeremiah 1: Son of Hilkiah

### • Jeremiah 1:1-3

<sup>1</sup> The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin: <sup>2</sup> To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. <sup>3</sup> It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month.

- o Son of Hilkiah the priest, from Anathoth in the land of Benjamin
- o Prophetic Word of God came to him in
  - The <u>13<sup>th</sup> year of the Josiah's reign [Prophetic Word Begins]</u>
  - During the reign of Jehoiakim (son of Josiah)
  - Unto/Till the
    - a) End of the 11<sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah (son of Josiah)
    - b) Carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the 5<sup>th</sup> month
- Daniel 1:1-21 → Babylon's initial siege on Judah during Jehoiakim's reign
  - 1:1 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the reign of Jehoiakim, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon
  - 1:3-4 Captivity of well favored
    - Prophet Daniel → Babylonian Captivity
    - Commoner Jeremiah → Remains in Jerusalem

Hilkiah: Father of Jeremiah → Sacerdotal/Priestly Function

### • Jeremiah 1:1

<sup>1</sup> The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:

# Hilkiah's Prominent Functional Role in Judah

- Finding of the Book of the Law in the House of the Lord during the Reign of Josiah
  - o 2 Kings 22:1-8
  - o 2 Chronicles 34:1-11
- God's Pronounced Judgement on Judah by Huldah the Prophetess
  - o 2 Kings 22:13-17
  - o 2 Chronicles 34:21-25
- God's Kind Prophecy toward Josiah
  - o 2 Kings 22:18-20
  - o 2 Chronicles 34:26-28