

Lesson 10

Jeremiah 34–Lamentations

The following assignments include various learning activities, such as questions, lists, essays, charts, comparisons, contrasts, and surveys. To receive credit for this lesson, you must complete the number of assignments indicated below and submit them to your institute instructor or administrator. You may submit your work either electronically or on paper, handwritten or typed.

Each lesson should take approximately 60–90 minutes to complete, the same amount of time you would typically spend in a weekly institute class. Since reading the scripture block listed in the lesson heading is expected of all institute students prior to class, the estimated time for each assignment does not include the time you need to spend reading the scripture block.

Complete three of the following assignments:

- 1. Jeremiah 34–52. Prophecies Fulfilled, Jerusalem Destroyed**
 - a. Read 1 Nephi 1:4; Jeremiah 34:1–3 and refer to the Bible Dictionary chronology chart (p. 639). Then answer the following questions:
 - In what year of Zedekiah’s reign did Nephi begin his record?
 - What did Nephi state was happening at this time in Jerusalem?
 - b. What was Jeremiah commanded to declare unto Zedekiah?
 - c. Read Jeremiah 52:1–13 and the institute student manual commentary for Jeremiah 37–39, “A Prophet’s ‘Reward’” (pp. 248–49). Describe in writing what took place. After reading Jeremiah 38:14–28; Jeremiah 39:1–7, write a description of the dialogue between Zedekiah and Jeremiah and the outcome that followed. What advice would you give Zedekiah?
- 2. Jeremiah 43:1–7. Jeremiah’s Day versus the Latter Days**
 - a. Review Jeremiah 43:1–7 and the student manual Points to Ponder section “True Prophets Are Never Popular with the Wicked”

(p. 251). List a few situations prevalent in the latter days that unfortunately indicate that people are ignoring or fighting against the living prophets’ counsel and teachings.

- b. As you consider Jeremiah’s ministry to an unrepentant people, read the following verses:
 - 1 Nephi 16:2
 - Helaman 13:24–27
 - John 7:7
 - Galatians 1:10–12

Write two or three paragraphs about how these verses apply to Jeremiah’s writings and people who choose to ignore prophets.

3. Jeremiah 46, 50. A Future Promise to Scattered Israel

- a. Read Jeremiah 46:27–28; 50:17–20, 33–34, 41 and explain in a paragraph or two what promises were given to scattered Israel. Read Doctrine and Covenants 110:11 and describe in writing what happened in this verse that relates to the promises of Jeremiah. What has happened since 1836 toward the fulfillment of these promises?

4. Lamentations 1–5. Jeremiah’s Lamentations

- a. In Lamentations 1:1–11 Jeremiah spoke for himself, while in verses 12–22 he spoke as if he were the whole country of Judah. Read Jeremiah 1:1–11 and list four phrases from Jeremiah’s words that explain why he “lamented.” Read Jeremiah 1:12–22 comparing it with Mormon 6:17–22 and describe the similarities you find.
- b. Read the chapter summaries for Lamentations 2–5 and make note of the reason for the suffering and destruction of the kingdom of Judah. How does Alma 41:10 apply to this period of history?
- c. Read Lamentations 5:15–22 and identify in writing characteristics of a person humble enough to repent.