

## **#40 - Egypt & Philistia (Jeremiah 46-47)**

### **• Introduction to Oracles Against Nations**

- Like many of the other prophets, Jeremiah was called to be a prophet not just for Israel and Judah, but for the \_\_\_\_\_ . (see Jeremiah 1:9-10)
- His oracles for the 'other nations' are collected here in chapters 46-51.
- Typically, oracles against Israel focus on:
  - Breaking the \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and Syncretism
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and Violence
- Oracles against the nations focus on:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and Arrogance
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and Cruelty
  - Trusting in \_\_\_\_\_

### **I. The Rise & Fall of Egypt (46:1-12)**

- This first message is to Egypt, specifically the army gathered at \_\_\_\_\_ on the Euphrates to aid the Assyrians in fighting the Babylonians. (1-2)
  - First battle of Carchemish in 609 B.C. - Egypt helps hold off \_\_\_\_\_
  - Second battle of Carchemish in 605 - \_\_\_\_\_ defeats the alliance of Assyria and Egypt.
- The oracle pictures the Egyptian army lined up and dressed for battle—before \_\_\_\_\_ in terror and falling before their enemy. (3-6)
- Egypt is compared to the \_\_\_\_\_ in her pride to rise up and destroy, but like the flooding river the rise is only \_\_\_\_\_. (7-8)
- The enemies are called to march, because Jehovah has called a day of \_\_\_\_\_ in which Egypt will be slaughtered for the Lord of hosts. (9-10)
- No \_\_\_\_\_ available as the Egyptian warriors stumble and fall. (11-12)

## II. The Heifer & the Horsefly (46:13-28)

- Not only will Egypt not be able to hold Babylon at bay, Nebuchadnezzar will \_\_\_\_\_ and conquer the land of Egypt. (13-14)
- Their 'mighty ones' (likely \_\_\_\_\_ soldiers) will run back to their own lands and say that Pharaoh is a big \_\_\_\_\_, but accomplishes \_\_\_\_\_. (15-17)
- God—the true King—declares that one will rise up like \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to destroy Egypt and take her inhabitants into exile. (18-19)
- Egypt is \_\_\_\_\_, pretty, and \_\_\_\_\_, but an army is coming to drive them away and cut them down. (20-24)
- The judgment of Egypt is against the rulers, the \_\_\_\_\_, and those who \_\_\_\_\_ in them—and Nebuchadnezzar will carry out that judgment. (25-26)
- But for God's people, they will be \_\_\_\_\_ and brought back to their land after they experience the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in Babylonian exile. (27-28)

## III. Against Philistia (47:1-7)

- The next message is against \_\_\_\_\_, the coastal people that were historically a thorn in the side of Israel and Judah. (1)
- While Egypt would conquer them first, this oracle predicts the invasion of the \_\_\_\_\_ as a destructive flood. (1-2)
- The land will cry out in distress, fathers will \_\_\_\_\_ their children, and crying out to their gods will do \_\_\_\_\_ for them. (3-5)
- There is an appeal to God, but He has \_\_\_\_\_ this judgment, and it must come. (6-7)