Weeping over Jerusalem

Lamentations 1-5
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. Lamentations 1
2. Lamentations 2
3. Lamentations 3
4. Lamentations 4
5. Lamentations 5

MAIN POINTS

- Lament directs unsanitized grief toward the LORD rather than away from Him (Lamentations 1:20-22; 2:18-19).
- The poems hold divine judgment and human confession together (Lamentations 1:18; 2:1-9; 5:16).
- Hope is an act of recollection grounded in the LORD's mercy, compassion, goodness, and salvation (Lamentations 3:19-26).
- The book ends with divine kingship, petition, and unresolved pain held in the same prayer (Lamentations 5:19-22).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. Jerusalem says the LORD is righteous while also describing overwhelming distress (Lamentations 1:12-20). How can confession and grief remain honest at the same time?
Lamentations 1:18-20

2. The people are told to pour out their heart before the LORD after judgment has fallen (Lamentations 2:18-19). What does that instruction show about prayer in crisis?
Lamentations 2:18-19

3. The speaker remembers affliction and then recalls the LORD's mercy, compassion, and faithfulness (Lamentations 3:19-24). What truth about God can you deliberately bring to mind while speaking honestly to Him about present grief?
Lamentations 3:19-24

MEMORY VERSE / Lamentations 3:37-40

These questions about the Lord's command lead into self-examination and a call to return to the LORD (Lamentations 3:37-40).

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Who is he who says, and it comes to pass, when the Lord doesn’t command it? Doesn’t evil and good come out of the mouth of the Most High? Why should a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to Yahweh.

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Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not? Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good? Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

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Notes

Waymark 57 / Solo

Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

NOTES

ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER