**Jeremiah 30:18-31:6**

***“When Jesus Comes”***

Introduction:

1. Have you met Jesus Christ? Has Jesus Christ come into your life?

2. Jeremiah 30:18-31:6 Jesus is coming to earth a second time to set up His kingdom. There

 are parallels between then and when Jesus comes into a life.

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**I. THE PROMISE 30:18-20**

 Days of rich blessing are ahead for Israel. These verses deal with Jerusalem rebuilt,

 repopulated, and governed by a native King who has access to the Lord.

 ***A. Our Resource 18a***

**1.** Notice the *I wills (18-22)*

**2.** It’s not in us. **It’s all of grace!** Everything from salvation to the Christian walk

 is grace!

***B. Our Reservoir* *18b***

**1.** He sets us free.

 **2.** *Have mercy on his dwelling places* speaks of the wretched condition of their

 houses in the home land. God gives us purpose, direction, and brings us home.

 **3.** The city is rebuilt on its ruins. The city of Jerusalem is rebuilt! He makes

 jewelry out of junk. That which was worthless has value because of Jesus Christ.

 **4.** *The palace shall stand in its rightful place.* There is a new King on the throne.

 Every heart has a throne. Who sits on the throne of your life? **Jesus Christ is**

 **now KING!**

 ***C. Our Resolve 19a***

 **1.** He gives us a heart of worship and praise…satisfaction and contentment.

 **2.** He puts a song in our hearts.

 ***D. Our Reproductivity 19b***

**1.** Here it is the blessing of children.

 **2.** When we come to know Jesus Christ, others are born into the family. What’s the

 greatest thing that ever happened to you? *Knowing Jesus Christ*…What’s the

 greatest thing you could do for someone else? *Tell someone else.*

 ***E. Our Recognition 19c***

**1.** God says, *I will honor them and they shall not be insignificant. NASV*

**2.** God recognizes us and gives us worth and value!

 ***F. Our Restoration 20a***

**1.** *As before…*the individual and nation will be as before.

 **2.** We will be as before the fall…before sin...before separation. There is access

 and acceptance.

 ***G. Our Reliance 20b***

**1.** *I will punish the oppressor…*God will go to bat for us protecting and preserving.

 **2.** He will fight our battles! He will go before us.

 **3.** Whatever the battle…it belongs to the Lord.

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**II. THE PERSON 30:21-22**

 This is a messianic prediction: First, the nation will be blessed by a native, not a foreign

 ruler (v. 21). Second, He will have the privilege of approach to God. The usage in the Old

 Testament shows this means a priestly position and ministry. *The ruler will need no*

 *mediator.* It is no light thing to approach God!

 The Targum though interpretive: *Messiah shall be revealed to them in their own midst.*

 ***A. He Is Personal 21a***

 **1.** Jesus became man…a Jewish man.

 **2.** He was One who lived among them from the line of David.

 ***B. He Is Pure 21b***

**1.** He was sinless.

 **2.** He will have the privilege to approach God. No sin can stand before God.

 ***C. He Is Priestly 21c***

**1.** The ruler will need no mediator.

 **2.** We have a priest who was tested like we are, yet without sin.

 **3.** This One now sits at the right hand of God on our behalf.

 ***D. He Is Possessive 22a***

**1.** *My people…*

**2.** We belong to Him.

 ***E. He Is Powerful 22b***

**1.** *I will be your God.*

**2.** *God* says it all. **The most powerful being in the universe identifies with me!**

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**III. THE PUNISHMENT 30:23-24**

In spite of the hope, God’s moral standards remain the same. He is holy! Sin must be

 paid for! Lest the careless have a false security by living in sin…Jeremiah uses the figure

 *Sudden storm…whirl wind.* The blessings described are not for everyone. What have you

 done with Jesus Christ? To those who reject Him a tornado of judgment is coming!

1. ***Divine*** *‘Of the Lord’*
2. God is holy, righteous and just.
3. God doesn’t want ‘good’ people. He wants perfect people. None are perfect.

***B. Deadly*** *‘With fury’*

***C. Destructive*** *‘A continuing whirlwind’*

 ***D. Determined*** *‘Until He has performed’*

**1.** Until He is satisfied.

 **2.** That is what’s behind the cross. That is what’s behind the resurrection. God is

 the offended party. The cross was the down payment. The resurrection is the

 bill of sale. **Paid in full!**

 ***E. Dated***  *‘The latter days’*

**1.** This is the end times.

 **2.** One day you will stand before God and give an account at the Great White Throne.

 (Rev. 20:11-15)

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**IV. THE PROMOTIONS 31:1-6**

When Jesus comes He promotes:

 ***A. Relationship 1***

**1.** *I will be the God of all the families of Israel…*He is speaking of the whole nation.

 **2.** *They shall be my people.* The war is over and we become identified with Him.

 ***B. Rest 2***

**1.** The found *grace* which is unmerited favor.

 **2.** *In the wilderness* these are the survivors of the captivity.

**3.** *I caused him to rest…*There remains a rest for the children of God. When we cease

 from our labors we enter into His rest.

 ***C. Realization 3*** *There is a love relationship.*

**1. Determined Love** *I have loved you with an everlasting love.*

 **2. Demonstrative Love** He loved me before I ever loved Him. (John 3:16)

 **3. Drawing Love** *With everlasting kindness…loving kindness I have drawn thee.*

**He drew me to Himself!**

 ***D. Restructure 4a*** *I will build thee and thou shalt be built.*

**1.** God does the work.

 **2.** The work that God does will last!

 ***E. Rejoicing 4b***

**1.** Obviously these weren’t Baptist. ☺

 **2.** *Tambourines and dance*  were a part of a time of rejoicing. *Dancing* in the Old

 Testament was often a religious exercise.

 ***F.* *Refreshment 5*** *A Fruitful life and They enjoyed the fruit!*

 ***G. Revival 6*** *“All will go to Zion to worship...”*

**1.** *Watchmen* were those who signaled the 1st appearance in connection with Passover and

 the New Moon. In the Millennium there will be no North and South division. All

 will go to Zion to worship.

1. I just love meeting with God’s people around the Word and giving God His worth!

***When Jesus Comes Everything Changes!!!***