

TOPIC: JEREMIAH-Called before his birth.

Readings
Jeremiah 1:4-19

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INTRODUCTION

- Jeremiah was called at a difficult time when King Josiah's reformation had failed because people continued in their corrupt nature andS worship of idols. Leaders rejected God's law and the will of the people.
- Because of this sin three things happened. [Consequences of their sin]
- **1.** Jerusalem city was destroyed. *Their identity.*

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- **2.** The temple was ruined. The presence of God departed from them.
- **3.** People were captured and carried off to Babylon as slaves. Many people here are captured in Witchcraft, alcoholism, etc you're here shining outside when inside your enslaved.
- Beloved! Sin enslaves, torments and destroys.
- That exactly what happens if a family or any institution rejects God. 'mention the three'
- Out of this mess, God calls Jeremiah as a messenger of Revival and Restoration

The purpose of Jeremiah's calling

- The purpose of his calling is elaborated in **Jer 1:10** *'see, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant'.*
- Three pairs of verbs are mentioned here;
- **First pair.** To uproot and tear down. To raise a godly generation, there are foundations, traditions, systems and cultures that you must first deal with in all spheres like families, church and a nation. Uproot and tear them down.

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- Second pair, To destroy and overthrow. After uprooting, there is need to destroy and overthrow any attachment to sin or wicked systems, traditions and cultures.
- The third Pair, To build and plant a new systems or orders. 'After destructions of all bondages and its wickedness, then God would lead His people in a new future, a new covenant and a new Hope'.

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- This is our hope, that God will raise everyone here with a Jeremiah anointing ready to restore godliness, in the families, church, Nation, [Executive, Legislature and Judiciary].
- May godliness reign in Education sector, Health sector, security agencies. Let godliness reign in Political and religious spheres.
- Like Jeremiah's excuses ([Jer 1:5](#)), many of us struggle to take on new challenges because of lack of self-confidence, inadequate experience etc.

Lessons to note in Jeremiah's call

- **1. We are all special and created in the image of God and called for a purpose.** Some to be Pastors, businesspeople, politicians, musicians, security personnel name it... to do the will of God on earth as it is in heaven. There is a Jeremiah seated right here, and God is saying today, *before I formed you, in your mothers womb I knew you. I have set you a part as my ambassador. v5*
- **2. Assurance of God's presence v8.** As God promised to be with Jeremiah so He will be with you. *Jer 1:8.* 'Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you, declares the Lord.

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- **3. Regardless of your shortcomings God can** still use you. Just obey Like Jeremiah's excuses ([Jer 1:5](#)), many of us struggle to take on new challenges because of lack of self-confidence, inadequate experience etc. I know the one I have believed and is able.
- **4.** He empowers those He calls. V9
- **5.** He gives them authority to accomplish His mission.
- **6. Obedience** V17. He obeyed and God used Him
- **7. He Established you as fortified city** V18-19
- **8. Grants you Victory** V19

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- 4. without fear or favor
- 5. determined to overthrow ungodly traditions, systems and cultures that have hindered people from seeing Jesus Christ as their Lord and savior. *A transformed generation is what God is seeking today. To stand up against evil and bring transformation.*

conclusion

- Beloved we are charged by God to be witnesses of Christ' saving blood everywhere and at all time. To be the salt and the light in this dark and wicked generation where morals are compromised and the fear of God is no more.
- Lets surrender to the authority of Christ to be agents of transformation in places where He has called us.
- In the name of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen