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Faithfully proclaim God's Word

In this chapter, Jeremiah was troubled because he was truthfully prophesied about God's Word, but he did not give in and continued to faithfully preach God's Word. It gives us a glimpse of Jeremiah's character and power as God's prophet. In the midst of persecution and hardship, he remained faithful to God's call, fearing opposition and seeking praise. In the midst of despair and darkness, he still looked to God's faithfulness, did not doubt God's will, and did not lose God's peace. In the midst of danger and death, he still testified of God's Word, did not change God's message, and did not alleviate God's requirements. He was a true prophet, a true saint. When we are at a low point in our lives, when we are in the darkest period of our lives, we must remember that it will soon be the bright side of life. We also need to remember that when we are faithful to the Lord, even in the most difficult situations, the Lord will remember and will eventually save us.

Jeremiah chapter 38 records Jeremiah's imprisonment in the court of Zedekiah, king of Judah. At that time, Jeremiah's prophecy that the city of Jerusalem would be captured by the king of Babylon and that the people of Judah would suffer the scourge of war aroused the discontent and anger of some powerful people and officials. They even demanded that Zedekiah execute Jeremiah. Verses 1–13 also record that when these officials asked King Zedekiah to "put Jeremiah to death," King Zedekiah of Judah allowed them to punish Jeremiah. There was no water in the prison, only mud, and Jeremiah was stuck in the mud." In addition to showing the brutality of the accusers, this account also implies that King Zedekiah had little real power. They

threw the prophet Jeremiah into a water cellar to make him die slowly in the mud of the water cellar. God was always guarding his faithful servants, and in verses 7-13 it is reported that a young eunuch named Ebed-melech, who could not see the evil deeds of these people, reported Jeremiah's plight to King Zedekiah, and the king commanded him to bring a small team of rescuers to rescue Jeremiah from the cellar. So that Jeremiah could be transferred to "the court of the guards." "Ebedmelech" means "servant of the king" in Hebrew. He was just a small man at the time, so he didn't even have an official name. Yet with a great sense of mission and love, he dared to come to the king and make a plea before the king in order to save the prophet Jeremiah. Not only did he save Jeremiah from death because of his love and courage, but God also remembered him and had his name and good deeds written in the Bible. In prison, Jeremiah suffered from hunger and suffering, but he remained steadfast in preaching the Word of God to tell the Jews about their sins and the need to repent. The real reason for the fall of Judah was not that the enemies were too strong, but that they themselves turned their backs on God and loved sin. As long as they are willing to repent, they will have a chance to be saved, and God will save them. Zedekiah's eventual capture by the king of Babylon and the destruction of the city of Jerusalem were the fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy. Zedekiah did not have the authority to be burned, and could have been kept from being burned, but as a result, they were burned, and even their children and daughters were also taken. Fate could have been changed, but because it had no authority to use it, it ended tragically. However, with the authority to use God's Word, even in the midst of the mud, there is still a way out in the end, and the destiny will live, the family will survive, and the city will be saved.

In chapter 38, verses 14-28, King Zedekiah said privately to Jeremiah: 'As Jehovah lives, who made our lives forever, I will not kill you, nor will I deliver you into the hands of those who seek your life. Jeremiah told Zedekiah explicitly that only by surrendering to Babylon could he save the lives of his family and his people. If you resist to the end, not only will you have no choice but to die, but Jerusalem will also be burned by the enemy. King Zedekiah apparently listened to the prophet. Unfortunately, even though the prophet had two paths in front of him, King Zedekiah was unwilling to give up resistance and surrender to the Babylonians. He fears that if he surrenders, he will be humiliated by both sides (36:19). And Jeremiah said, Hearken unto the word of the LORD, which I have spoken unto thee, and thou shalt reap good, and thy life thou shalt live." (vv.20) The prophet exercised authority in faith here for the good of the king. People always love others and like themselves, and the foundation of the church is that everything is for the good of the sheep. No matter what the problem is, try not to bring any harm or any crack in everything, and at the same time know how to be open to God, to be responsible to God, so that God can fulfill His heart for the sheep.

Let us pray together:

Abba Heavenly Father, please let us walk in grace and help us establish a culture of molding and perfection. From families, small groups, and even churches, help us create a good characteristics so that the foundation can be solid. Father God, give us a pair of spiritually sensitive ears so that we can discern God's voice among the many voices in the world, and a pair of bright eyes that

see through all things so that we can focus on God's holiness and glory, prevent us from being swayed by the vanity and glitz of any world, even if sometimes this vanity and glitz seems so attractive to people. Lord! You are the Lord of mercy please help those who sincerely seek You, You will give them the way to salvation, guide them into the valley of life, and restore the smile of faith after sorrow and tears.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

Jeremiah 38

38:1 Shephatiah son of Matan, Gedaliah son of Pashhur, Jujab son of Sheremiah, Bashehur son of Machijah, heard what Jeremiah said to all the people. say

38:2 Thus saith Yahweh, Whoever dwelleth in this city shall die by the sword, and by famine, and by pestilence. But he that goes out and returns to the Chaldeans shall live, that is, he who has taken his life as a prey shall live.

38:3 Jehovah said that the city would be in the hands of the army of the king of Pabillon . He will take the city.

38:4 Then the prince said to the king, "Put this man to death." for he said these things to the soldiers and all the people that were left in the city, and made their hands weak. This man did not seek peace for the people, but brought calamity to them.

38:5 And king zedekiah said, He is in your hand . In any case, the king cannot oppose you.

38:6 And they took Jeremiah in the prison of Makiah, the son of Hamelech. The prison was in the courtyard of the guards, and they tied Jeremiah down with a rope. There was no water in the prison , only silt . Jeremiah was stuck in the mud.

38:7 Ebedmelech, the Ethiopian who was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah into prison, (when the king was sitting at the gate of Benjam) 38:8 So Ebedmelech came out of the king's palace and said to the king, 38:9 O Lord my king, these men did evil to Jeremiah the prophet and put him in prison. He will die of hunger there. for there was no more food in the city.

38:10 And the king gave command to Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying, Take thirty men from here, and bring Jeremiah the prophet out of prison before he dies.

38:11 So Ebelmelech took them with him, went into the royal palace, went down to the storehouse, took some rags and rags from there, and put them in prison with a cord and went to Jeremiah.

38:12 And Ebethmelech the Ethiopian said to Jeremiah, Put these rags and tattered garments on cords and put them in the sockets of your arm. And Jeremiah did likewise.

38:13 So they pulled Jeremiah out of prison with ropes, while Jeremiah was still in the courtyard of the guards.

38:14 And the king of Zedekiah sent to see the king in the third gate of Jeremiah the prophet with Jeremiah the prophet. Then the king said to Jeremiah, "I will ask you a thing, and you must not hide anything from me."

38:15 And Jeremiah said to Zedekiah, If I tell you, will you surely put me to death? If I admonish you, you will not listen to me.

38:16 Then King Zedekiah said to Jeremiah privately, I swear by Jehovah, who made our life for ever, I will not put you to death or give you into the hands of those who seek your life.

38:17 And Jeremiah said to Zedekiah, Thus saith Jeholah, the God of Israel, If thou go out and return to the princes of the king of Babylon, thy life will live, and this city will not be burned with fire. You and all your family will live.

38:18 But if you don't go out to the princes of the king of Babylon, this city will be given into the hands of the Chaldeans. They will burn with fire, and you will not be taken out of their hands.

38:19 King Zedekiah said to Jeremiah, I am afraid of the great Jews who have surrendered to the Chaldeans, lest the Chaldeans will give me into their hands and they will make fun of me.

38:20 And Jeremiah said, The Chaldeans will not give you up. Listen to what I say to you . In this way you will be well and your life will live.

38:21 But if you will not go out, this is what Jehohua said to me. 38:22 And all the women left in the palace of Judah will be brought to the princes of the king of Babylon. These women will say, Your confidant's friends are pushing you more than you. see your feet sink into the mud . He turned around and stepped back.

38:23 And they will bring thy concubines and thy sons and daughters to the Chaldeans. and thou shalt not depart from their hand, for thou shalt be caught by the hand of the king of Babylon. and thou shalt burn it with fire.

38:24 Zedekiah said to Jeremiah, Do not make these things known, and you will not die.

38:25 And if the princes hear me talking to you, come to you and say to you, What do you say to the king, do not hide it from us, and we will not kill you. Whatever the king says to you, tell us also.

38:26 And thou shalt say unto them, I pleaded before the king, that I should not be brought back to Jonathan's house to die.

38:27 Then the princes came to Jeremiah and asked him, and he gave them all the words the king had commanded. They don't talk to him anymore . because there was no leakage of the matter .

38:28 And Jeremiah remained in the courtyard of the guards until the day when Jerusalem was taken.

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In Jeremiah 38, here are some important verses and explanations:

1. "At that time Shiban the son of Shephatiah, Gedaliah the son of Maacah, Makijah the son of Maaseiah, and Brazil the son of Bashiab heard what Jeremiah said to the people and said, "(Jeremiah book.)

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This passage describes important people, including Shifan, Gedaliah, Macchiah, and Brazil, who heard Jeremiah's words. These people were important figures in Judah during this period, and their actions had an important impact on the development of the country.

2. "Then the king called Jeremiah and asked him, 'Does the Lord have a word in your hand?' Jeremiah said, 'Yes.' (Jeremiah 38:17) This passage describes how King Sidekiah of Judah summoned Jeremiah to ask him if he had a message from God. The Sides did not believe Jeremiah at first, but after listening to him, they began to reconsider his previous decision.

3. So they threw Jeremiah into the prison of the king's son Macchijah, in the courtyard of the guard. They tied Jeremiah down with ropes. There was no water in the prison, only silt, and Jeremiah sank into the mud. (Jeremiah 38:6) This passage describes Jeremiah's imprisonment and imprisonment in harsh conditions because of his warnings and criticisms of Judah. This shows that Jeremiah faced great opposition and danger in his prophecies, but he still insisted on getting God's message across.

4. "And the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, saying, Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there anything that is impossible in all my flesh that I have made?' (Jeremiah 38:27) This passage describes God's message to Jeremiah as a sign of God's strength and faithfulness, as well as a consolation and support for him not to be afraid to face difficulties and adversity.

These verses highlight Jeremiah's courage and tenacity as he faced the crisis and chaos in Judah and persevered in delivering God's message to the people. It also reminds us when faced with difficulties and challenges Jeremiah 38 records Jeremiah's trials during the reign of Zedekiah, king of Judah. In this chapter, Jeremiah is persecuted and imprisoned for his faithfulness to God's prophecy. Here are just a few of the important theological central ideas and theological takeaways:

Persecution of Faithful Prophets: In Jeremiah 38, Jeremiah is persecuted and persecuted for obeying God's will and faithfully delivering God's prophecies. He was thrown into prison and bullied. This shows that faithful prophets do not necessarily enjoy the approval and support of the people, but they should obey God's will and faithfully convey God's truth.

God's Favor and Deliverance: In Jeremiah 38, God appears to General Bethati \cdot in Jeremiah's predicament and leads him to save Jeremiah. God protects and favors His servant from danger. This shows God's care and protection for His faithful servants, whose hands will never leave them.

God's Judgment and Mercy: In Jeremiah 38, Zedekiah's persecution of Jeremiah and his imprisonment in a brick-burning house are seen as disobedient by God. God judged Zedekiah's sins, but God was still willing to show mercy to those who were willing to obey God's will and repent and turn to God.

Listen to God's Word: In Jeremiah 38, Jeremiah repeatedly emphasizes the importance of obedience to God's will and repentance

Sex. God expects people to listen to His Word, obey His teachings, and repent and renounce their sins.

Overall, Jeremiah 38 emphasizes the persecution of faithful prophets, God's favor and deliverance, God's judgment and mercy, and obedience to God's Word. The central idea of theology is the emphasis on faithful obedience to God's will, God's care and protection of His servants, but God also judges sin. We should imitate Jeremiah's faithfulness and obedience, listen to God's Word, and trust in God's mercy and salvation. In adversity and in good times, we should trust God and persist in communicating God's truth, because God's Word is true and steadfast.