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The earth is shaken, and the LORD is God of all nations

Jeremiah 49 is primarily concerned with God's prophecies and judgments against Arak, Edom, Damascus, Kedar, Haran, and Truth.

Verses 1–6 are God's judgment on Arak. Dependent on the treasure of water, he lived in false peace until he was shattered by God with the "great hammer of all the earth."

The Ammonites, like the Moabites, were descendants of Abraham's nephew Lot, who lived north of Moab near the Arabian wilderness, and were related to the Israelites, so God commanded the Israelites to treat them with courtesy when they entered Canaan. But from the time of the judges, the Ammonites were often at war with the Israel. God's judgment on Ammon is like judgment on Egypt and Moab. The idolatry of the Ammonites was worshiped in exchange for the benefit of the idols, hoping to gain benefits from worship, and the reason for that was ultimately money. In the face of such people, God will take away all their money. God says they will be taken into captivity, but they can still be returned, and being able to return is a grace and a new beginning. If the mood fluctuates due to the state of money, this is a symbol of relying on money, and in the end it will be beaten back to its original form by God. God has put money in our hands in the hope that we will use it according to His heart. When money is used appropriately, God will increase it continuously. If we focus on possessions, we will eventually lose them.

Edom was the descendant of Esau, and Israel was the descendant of Esau's twin brother Jacob, who gradually became "arrogant and self-deceived" because Edom was easy to defend and wise and wealthy. But "pride precedes corruption" (Proverbs 16:18), and when one thinks he is the most secure, the richest, and the wisest, it is often the beginning of corruption. The Edomites relied on wisdom and strategy, and they were even more proud of it. When man thinks he is wise and wise, God Himself fights with him, so we need to be simple with God so that God will simply respond to us. If we are complicated with God, and God is more complex with us, we will find that we cannot win against God in any way. If we rely on wisdom, God will judge us with His wisdom. The bow and arrow are the best military technique for restraint, so God 'will break the bow of the restraint' (v.35) and divert the source of strength on which they trust.

Damascus' pursuit of joy leads to sorrow (49:23-27), and the problem with Damascus is that they value joy, but this joy is not of God. In the face of such people, God causes "their hearts to melt, and their anxieties to be troubled, like an ocean that cannot be calm." (49:23b) And let "panic seize it, and worry about pain to catch it, like the pain of a woman in childbirth." When people focus on the pursuit of joy, God wants to bring sorrow upon them. This city is also very famous, as if to say that people will be very happy when they come to that city, so God will make that city forsake.

Kida and Shazo are two nomadic people living in the desert between eastern Israel and southern Syria, and Kedar and Shazo are comfortable, doorless and unplugged people, and live alone, just like Rayi in the Book of Judges. They take good care of themselves, do not associate with other people, and feel very safe and do not worry about any enemies. God's judgment on such people is to bring fear on all sides, to plunder their possessions, and to scatter them in all directions. God will scatter him who is too cohesive; For those who are carefree, God will let the terror come.

"Eram": Located east of Babylon, in present-day southwestern Iran. Elam relied heavily on their weapons, proud of their bows and arrows, and full of authority. In the face of such people, God will break the power of the head, and "he will send the sword after them until he destroys them." (49:37b) Therefore the sword will come to him who trusts in the weapon; Whoever has the bow in authority, God will set up His true authority to take his place.

Ishmai was an ancient Arab tribe. God said that He would turn their cities and villages into ruins, and their people would be banished to distant lands. However, God also promised to save them and return them to their land.

Each of the nations listed in this chapter relied on their own strengths and lived comfortably (v.31). But history proves that if a person forsakes God, the more he trusts in something, the more God has to deal with it. God's principle of restoring man is that the more man is established, the more God destroys, and the more man covers up, the more God is revealed.

Judas had been disciplined by God to the last moment, and then God declared through the prophets that all the nations would be judged, so we should also be judged, because God will adjust to all the parts of our lives that are not God's as He sees us. When something becomes an obstacle to God's relationship with us, God wants to take it back, because God loves us, and He

doesn't want us to go further and further, so God has to adjust and discipline people when they have deviations.

God will adjust us in the wrong parts of our lives, whether it be money, wisdom, status, talents, professional qualifications, and when we begin to rely on them, God will adjust us. When we seek God, He gives us everything we need.

Much of the book of Jeremiah prophesied that God's chosen people would be judged for their sins. For "judgment begins in the house of God"! God's elect know God best, and God expects the most from them. Therefore, God also gave them the most severe judgment. "For to whom much is given, much is taken; Ask for much from whomever you trust." This is God's principle! Yet, from chapter 46 onwards, God prophesied the message that the nations around Israel would be judged! Here, God wants us to see that He is not only the God of Israel, but also the God of all the nations of the world.

Let's pray:

Abba Father, pray that we will let go of our security of money, knowledge, status, talent, pleasures, and comfort, and focus on God, believe God's Word, and keep seeking Him, because all the riches God has promised will come to us. Heavenly Father, you are the source of all things, and how can the wisdom of men be compared with your wisdom? These nations that are at odds with Israel must face your righteous judgment, but both good and bad are in your hands. Thou shalt all nations come unto thee! Help us, your sons and daughters, to seize the opportunity to evangelize and introduce you to those around you who do not know you, your salvation, your love, your faithfulness, your testimony, that all people may know you, this is your heart.

In the holy name of Jesus Christ. amen

Jeremiah 49

49:1 On the Ammonites. Jerewah said this, Israel has no children and no heirs . Why did Malekan possess the land of Gad? Why do his people dwell in the cities thereof?

49:2 And Yahwa said, The day is coming, and I will make heard the cry of war, the cry of the war against Amm, and the rabbah will become a heap of chaos. The villages that belong to him will be burned with fire. Where Israel had previously had its business, now Israel has to have their land as its business. this is what ye and hua said .

49:3 Hopefully, you will mourn because the land of love has become a wasteland. O inhabitants of Rabbah, cry out, gird your loins with sackcloth; to cry and run around the fence . For Malekam will be taken captive with his priests and princes.

49:4 O backslidden people, why do you boast because you have mountains and valleys, which are valleys of water? Why do you trust in the treasures, saying, Who can come to us?

49:5 Lord Lord of the Ten Thousand Armies , I will terrorize you from among the people who are surrounded by you. You will be driven out, every man will go forward, and no one will gather the fugitives.

49:6 And then I will bring back the captives of Ammon. this is what ye and hua said .

49:7 On Edom. the lord of the army and hua said so , there is no wisdom in the veil . the philosophers no longer have a conspiracy . Their wisdom is nothing but good .

49:8 Whereas the inhabitants of the bottom dan shall turn around and flee and dwell in the depths of the house . For when I seek Esau upon him, disaster will come upon him. 49:9

If the grape picker comes to him, will there not be any grapes left? If the thief had come by night, would he not have destroyed it until it was enough? 49:10 But I made Esau bare, and made his secret place visible; he can't hide himself . and all his descendants, and his brethren, and his neighbors, shall be destroyed, and he shall be gone.

49:11 Leave the orphans behind, and I will save their lives; Your widow can count on me.

49:12 And Yahweh said this, He who ought not to have drunk the cup must have drunk it. You will not be exempt from it, you will drink it.

49:13 And Jehohua said, By myself I swear that Poshra will be astonished, and humiliated, and cursed, and desolate. All his cities will become eternal desolations.

49:14 And I heard tidings from Jehohua that messengers were sent to the nations, saying, Gather yourselves together against Eeast. Rise up and fight. 49:15 We have made you the least of the nations and despised among the world. 49:16 O who lives in a cave on the top of the mountain, you have deceived yourself because of the pride of your heart. though thou art like a great eagle and pitched up in a nest , I have pulled thee down from there . this is what ye and hua said .

49:17 And Edom will be terrified; And all who pass through are terrified, and laugh at all his calamities.

49:18 And Jehohua said, There will be no one to live there, and no one to live in it; as when Sodom Gomorrah and the neighboring cities were overthrown. 49:19 The enemy will come up like a lion from the woods by the Jordan to attack a strong dwelling. In the next few moments I will send the Edomites to flee from the land, and I will send them over whoever is chosen. who can compare to me . who can set a date for me . What shepherd can stand before me?

49:20 Listen to the strategy of Jehohua against Edom and his purpose for attacking the people of Teman. The enemy will draw away their masses weakly, and they will make their dwellings desolate.

49:21 And the earth shook by the sound of their fall; and a cry shall be heard in the Red Sea.

49:22 The enemy will rise up like a great eagle and spread out his wings against Posla. And when that day came the hearts of the warriors of Edom were tormented like women on the verge of childbirth.

49:23 On Damascus. Hama and Arpat were put to shame . for when they heard the evil message, they were dissolved. there is sorrow on the sea , and there is no peace . 49:24 Dama goes weak and turns and runs away . Trembling seized him, and sorrow seized him, like a woman in childbirth.

49:25 Why have the cities in which I rejoiced and praised been forsaken? 49:26 And his young men will fall in the streets; and on that day all the soldiers will be silent . this is what the host of nations and hua said .

49:27 And I will cause a fire to rise up in the city of Damascus, and I will devour the house of Benhada.

49:28 On the kingdoms of Geddar and Haymneza, king of Babylon, against which Nebuchadnezzar struck. Thus saith Jehovah, Arise up to Geddar and destroy the people of the East.

49:29 And they shall take away their tents and their flocks, and take away their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels, for themselves. They shouted to them that there was a fright on all sides.

49:30 And he said, O inhabitants of Hazor, flee to a distant country and dwell in a deep place. for Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, has devised a plot against you, and has set up an attack against you.

49:31 And Jehohua said to them, Arise, O Chaldeans, go up to the inhabitants who are at ease and careless; They live alone without doors or latches .

49:32 Their camels will become prey; and their multitude of cattle shall become prey. And I will scatter those who shave their heads around them from all sides, and bring calamity upon them from all sides. this is what ye and hua said . 49:33 Summer will become a dwelling place for wild dogs, forever desolate. There shall be no one living there, nor shall any sojourn in it.

49:34 And when Zedekiah king of Judah was on the throne, the word of Jehohua about Elam came to Jeremiah the prophet, saying,

49:35 Thus saith Jehohua of the army, I will break the bow which stands in the way, and it is the power of them at the head.

49:36 And I will send four winds from the four corners of heaven to come to them and to stop them and scatter them in all directions. [Fang Yuan Literary Style] There is no one who has been scattered and cannot be found in a country .

49:37 And Jehohua said, I will make an attempt to make a man of Retardation before his enemies and before those who seek his life. I will bring calamity upon them, even my wrath. and he shall

make the sword pursue them until they are utterly destroyed. 49:38 I will set up my throne in Ilam and remove kings and princes from there. this is what ye and hua said .

49:39 And at the end I will bring back the captives to Israel. this is what ye and hua said .

Jeremiah 49 is primarily concerned with God's prophecies and judgments against Arak, Edom, Damascus, Kedar, Haran, and Truth.

First, God declared to the Ammonites (eastern part of Jordan) that they would be destroyed and that no one could save them.

God said that their cities and villages would be destroyed and their kings and chieftains would be taken captive.

Then came the judgment of Edom, the descendants of Esau, who hated the Israel and often attacked them. God said that their cities would be destroyed and their people would be expelled. Here, too, God shows His love for Israel when He says He will protect Israel and restore them to freedom and prosperity.

Then, there is the prophecy about Damascus, a city in ancient Syria. God said that Damascus would be destroyed and the city would be in ruins because they followed false gods.

This was followed by prophecies about Kedar and Haran, two tribes of the Arabs who were connected to the kingdoms of Assyria and Babylon. God said He would destroy their cities and villages and expel their people far away. Finally, there is the judgment of Ishmael, an ancient Arab tribe. God said that He would turn their cities and villages into ruins, and their people would be banished to distant lands. However, God also promised to save them and return them to their land.

In Jeremiah 49, here are some important verses:

1. "On the Ammonites. This is what the LORD says: Does Israel have no sons? Are there no heirs? Why did Malekam possess the land of Gad? Why do the inhabitants live in the cities thereof? (Jeremiah 49:1) In this passage, God spoke to the Ammonites through the prophet Jeremiah, asking them why they wanted to occupy the land belonging to the tribe of Gad, a descendant of Israel. Behind this question is God's justice and justice, because God has allocated land to different tribes of Israel in the past, and these lands belong to God's divine authority.

2. "A man will come from the north, and he will attack the land, and it will be desolate and uninhabited; And when they come with oxen and donkeys, they enter into the city where you live. Then I will be angry with you because of your iniquities, O Judah, and I will use the sword to hunt you down until I utterly destroy you. (Jeremiah 49:3-4) In this verse, God prophesied to the people of Judah through the prophet Jeremiah that a man from the north would attack them and turn their city into ruins. God declares that their sins must be punished, but it also implies God's grace because His punishment is out of His love to turn people back to Him.

3. "The Lord Lord Almighty says: There will be traces laid down by the Lebanon people in this wilderness like wild beasts. Then you will know that I am the Lord, and whoever speaks will fulfill his word. (Jeremiah.)

49:19) In this verse, God speaks to the Edomites that someone will come from Lebanon into the wilderness of Edom, leaving behind a trail like a wild beast. This implies God's sovereignty and authority, that He is able to dictate the destiny of the world and mankind at will, and that all words come from His mouth and will be fulfilled.

Jeremiah 49 contains prophecies about various nations, including those of Ammon, Edom, Dedan, the Arabs, and the Israel. Here are just a few of the important theological central ideas and theological takeaways:

God's judgment: In Jeremiah 49, God foreshadowed the judgments of different nations through the prophet Jeremiah

Speech. This shows that God is the righteous Judge who judges unrighteousness and wickedness.

God's sovereignty: In Jeremiah 49, God prophesied the future fate of different nations through the prophet Jeremiah, demonstrating God's sovereignty and wisdom, and God is in control of the fate of nations.

God's Providence: In Jeremiah 49, God also promised mercy and protection to the lives of those nations who were exiled by war, even though these nations would be judged by God. This shows that God is a merciful and saving God who cares about His people and is willing to help them out of their troubles.

Overall, Jeremiah 49 emphasizes God's judgment, God's sovereignty and wisdom, and God's providence. The central idea of theology is the emphasis on God as the Almighty Lord, who is in control of the fate of the nations, and that God is the righteous Judge who punishes unrighteousness. But He is also a God of mercy and love, willing to save His people from suffering. We should be obedient to God's will, fear God's authority, and trust in His promises, for God is our refuge and strong security. When we encounter difficulties and trials, we can trust God for salvation because He is our help and strength.