

Jeremiah 7:1-8:3 Judah's Folly: External Religiosity

- Sin will not be covered up by religious pretense 1-11
 - Problem: False confidence in the temple and its' rituals
 - Sins described: social sins, immorality, perjury leading to murder, idolatry, and misplaced faith
 - Solution: A changed heart and changed behavior v. 5
- The Solution is repudiated 12-15
 - Go see what happens to those who reject my way!
 - Go visit Shiloh! Judges 18:14-31; 1 Sam. 1-3
- Jeremiah's Intercession rejected 16-20
 - Cult worship brings God's righteous indignation
- Alternative Solutions are Futile 21-26
 - Sacrifice, NO! Obedience to God, YES!
 - Judah has rejected God's counsel
- Judah's Condition defined by God 27-31
 - Spiritually Dead v. 28
- Judgment is Certain 32-8:3
 - God speaks judgment, it will come true
 - Topheth destroyed
 - Everyone's body to be eaten by wild animals
 - Joy, laughter and happiness will be taken away
 - Everyone in Jerusalem will be brought out dead and left as dung
 - Death will follow those that make it to other places