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¹ The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin / 3 miles north of Jerusalem:

² To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign / 170 years earlier the 10 northern tribes of the House of Israel were already taken to Assyria and resettled at the foothills of the Caucasus Mountains... where come the Caucasian people; between the capital of Assyria and their enemy to the east: the Medes; the 10 tribes of Israel carried with them... ALL the nationalistic birthright promises... first given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were NOT Jewish; they were Hebrew.



Some prophets speak of: the whole House of Israel; or both Houses of Israel which includes: Ephraim the primary caretaker of the birthright promises to the 10 northern tribes of Israel... Manasseh, and the 2 southern tribes of Judah. These 3 shepherds to the world... will be around to the last days.

The LORD said to David... My people Israel will go to a place of their own... not to be molested by their ancient enemies; not to move again. The House of Israel... led by Ephraim and Manasseh (1/2 Egyptian) were 10/12th Hebrew, they were NOT Jewish.

³ It ...the word of the LORD came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, to the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, to the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month / Zedekiah was the last king of the House of Judah -- where comes the name: Jewish, the 2 southern tribes... who were taken in captivity to Babylon around July or August of that year; and with all this information, like site-lines on a target... archaeologists can confidently determine when many of these events occurred -- Jeremiah writes around 625 through 575BC.

⁴ Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

⁵ Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you / I chose you, and had plans for you;

and before you came forth from the womb, I sanctified you / Jeremiah was set apart by God; dedicated to a special appointment. In the gospel of John, chapter 17... in Jesus' own prayer we read: Father, sanctify them through Thy truth; Thy word is truth. In every generation, that is how God our Father sets apart and sanctifies His people; when you read the word of God... when you pay attention to what God said... we discover the LORD is a good Teacher; for being so creative, He keeps things simple. HE leads His people in each generation; so we should pay attention to what HE says; do you think?

To Jeremiah, the Lord said,

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; and before you came forth from the womb,

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I sanctified you, and I ordained you / I set you apart; and appointed you...

a prophet to the nations / plural! Let's say that together: **NATIONS!** The 2 nations; and, who are those 2 nations? (which is what Isaiah also said; so, did you hear that?) the **House of little Judah**; and **the House of greater Israel**. The 2 southern tribes; the 10 northern tribes -- separate and distinct. Right?!

The Lord said...

I sanctified you and appointed you ...Jeremiah a prophet to the nations.

6 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold / pay attention! Now that is sort of gutsy for someone to say to the Eternal Father, don't you think? Telling God... to pay attention,

I cannot speak: for I am a child / well?! Jeremiah is doing an excellent job, talking back to God; he sounds like a child who wants to correct and enlighten God the Father. But it also sounds a little like Moses, doesn't it? *I am slow to speech*... but whom God guides... He provides.

When Jesus asked, Who do they say the Son of man is? The disciples answered: Some say Elijah... others say Jeremiah.

7 But the LORD said to me,

Say not, I am a child: for you will go to all where I send you / and ALL means: everywhere... and every place... and every people... the Lord sends him, right? No place... not even one; no person... not even one; no people... not even one; no nation... not even one omitted.

and all I command... you will speak.

8 Do not be afraid of their faces: for I am with you to deliver you / here we learn: God, who commissions Jeremiah... also forewarns Jeremiah: there will be some ugly people coming his direction.

Isaiah already said: **Make the Lord God your fear and dread; and He will be your sanctuary**; fear Him, dread Him! Be afraid of His face... and He will be our place of safety. This is exactly what the Lord GOD wants Jeremiah to know. If you are going to be afraid of someone; be afraid of Me! Be afraid of My face. He is able to save and rescue you speedily,

says the LORD.

9 Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth.

And the LORD said to me, Behold / pay attention,

I have put My words in your mouth.

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¹⁰ See, this day I set you over the **nations** and over the **kingdoms**

The LORD is a good Teacher. Jeremiah was assigned to be conservator, caretaker and reformer...over **both**... nations, 2 distinct peoples; and over **both** kingdoms, 2 distinct realms, 2 separate political centers - the small kingdom of **Judah** whose history includes Babylon; and the greater kingdom of **Israel** whose history includes Assyria who carried with them the promises God gave to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

And why did God set Jeremiah that day over these two nations and kingdoms?

to root out,

and to pull down,

and to destroy,

and to throw down

...a thorough cleaning was necessary; which is what we read about in this entire book of Jeremiah: rooting out and pulling down; destroying and throwing down. The apostle Paul says: *to the pulling down of strongholds*... and what are those strongholds? The alliances... the confidences... the people of God make in every generation with everyone in the world... but not with the LORD, who should be to each of us -- sufficient!



Jeremiah was given a ministry of reformation... first bulldozing what was present: rooting out... and pulling down... and destroying and throwing down... which is the theme of the book of Jeremiah.

But the Lord GOD also said...

to build,

and to plant / so, here is the question of the millennia: Where was Jeremiah sent as prophet?

to build and to plant / the biblical scholars at best are speculative... and indefinite in their opinions. This book of Jeremiah does not tell us; and that is sort of interesting, isn't it? Because amid the rooting out and pulling down... and destroying and throwing down... amid those tensions and commotions... and obstructions, the prolific Jeremiah is able to record all these words pertaining to his life experience as a prophet... written in greater detail than any other prophet of the OT;



but in a peaceful time of building and planting and prosperity... he's not able to write anything? What is that all about? It doesn't make sense, does it?

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¹¹ Moreover **the word of the LORD** came to me, saying, Jeremiah, what do you see?

And I said, I see a rod / Jeremiah saw the royal rod; the scepter of authority... and the one with that club in hand wields the power. I'm sure it is like the rod of iron Messiah will bring when He comes again. It's a correcting rod... to destroy the strongholds of faithlessness; and to break apart the lifeless traditions of men... whose petrifying traditions only produce hard heads of religion... who read monotonous speeches at God; fossilizing and formalizing faith -- nothing from the heart; never producing deeds of love and grace.

I see a rod... of an almond tree / the word in Hebrew is: *saged*. The almond tree is the hasty tree: the first to blossom in springtime... while all the other trees lay dormant snoozing. And Jeremiah says:

I see a rod of correction... wide awake, quick and in a hurry.

¹² Then the LORD said to me,

You have seen well / nothing wrong with Jeremiah's eyes; he had good vision:

for I will hasten My word to perform it / I will be wide awake and in a hurry to make it happen.

The LORD isn't chatty; but thankfully He does speak; and when He does, we see He is always concerned about His creation. He is actively engaged in teaching and correcting and saving those who turn to Him.

The LORD always speaks truth; and in this verse we learn He has a relationship with His word; ALL of it! Not only the **rooting out...** and **pulling down...** and **destroying...** and **throwing down;**

but also, the **building...** and **planting.**

Again, we read where the first part happened, but how about the last part?

This book tells us, Jeremiah, who was the custodian of the remnant of Judah which included the king's daughters... and Simon Baruch, they fall off the radar as they go to Egypt -- [Jeremiah 43-45](#).

Irish history tells us, within 5 years, in Ireland / new iber-ain, a colony of those in old Spain, related to those of the Iberian peninsula, Eber-ain...literally: Eber land – who spoke the language of Eber, Hebrew; and within 5 years... the great Ollam Folha, Ireland's greatest prophet and law-maker, along **with a royal daughter of a pharaoh**, and Simon Brech suddenly appear in their ancient chronicles... to marry into the royal Irish family of the ancient house of Zara... and bring order to that island nation; ruling from Tara Hill. As a result, this great prophet and lawmaker; building and planting, influenced Scottish and English law; ultimately effecting the legal system of the United States of America – the only other country in world history to build on what the old testament prophets taught.

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