

Why we need prophets
For the week of December 16 – 22

Prayer: That we accept the correcting word of God

Day 1: Jeremiah 31:23 – 40

Four questions to ponder:

- What parts of this passage are most striking? Confusing?
- How should we understand v.33?
- How should we understand the first part of v.34?

Day 2: Exodus 24: 3 – 8; Luke 22:20 & 1 Corinthians 11:23 – 26

Three questions to ponder:

- How does Jesus institute the 'new covenant'?
- What is 'old' and what is 'new'?
- What is the theological significance of this newness?

Day 3: Jeremiah 6:9 – 23

Three questions to ponder:

- Why are false messages of 'peace' so destructive to God's people?
- Where do you see some of these false messages inflicting harm on God's people or the church?
- What is God's response in this text?

Day 4: Jeremiah 38:1 – 13

Two questions to ponder:

- Would you willingly speak truth to unwilling listeners if you were to face similar repercussions?
- In v.5, King Zedekiah does not *actively* participate in Jeremiah's persecution, but ignores. Where are Christians guilty of ignoring problems (even if we aren't doing them)?

Day 5: Hebrews 8:1 – 13

Two questions to ponder:

- How does the author use Jeremiah 31 to understand Jesus?
 - How striking are the claims made by Hebrews' author?
- READ Hebrews 9:11 – 15

Further Reflection: What role does repentance play in your faith? Who are prophets for you?