## Jeremiah 14

King James Version (KJV)

The intercession for Judah by Jeremiah

- **14** The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the <u>dearth</u>. (Dearth = scarcity, want, shortage, famine; in this case drought)
- <sup>2</sup> Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up. (They are starving for truth spiritual truth God's Word)
- <sup>3</sup> And their nobles have sent their little ones to the waters: they came to the pits, and found no water; they returned with their vessels empty; they were ashamed and confounded, and covered their heads. (Physically, there was no water) (Spiritually, they didn't have a clue as to how to return to God, from their idolatry)
- <sup>4</sup>Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads. (This was a tradition when mourning)
- <sup>5</sup>Yea, the <u>hind</u> also calved in the field, and forsook it, because there was no grass. (hind= deer, cattle)
- <sup>6</sup> And the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like <u>dragons</u>; their eyes did fail, because there was no grass. (dragons = jackals bad translation) (The drought was killing everything)
- <sup>7</sup>O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee. (O Lord, save us for your namesake, although we will keep right on sinning a pathetic excuse for a prayer)
- <sup>8</sup>O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night? (Why do you delay? Why won't you help us? Even though we ignored You when times were good. This is not a good way to speak to God. They brought all of this on themselves, and now they want God to hurry up an save them)
- <sup>9</sup> Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, art in the midst of us, and we are

- called by thy name; leave us not. (We are called "Christians", although we practice idolatry; You have to save us. Total disrespect for God)
- <sup>10</sup> Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins. (God will judge them for their sins. They never repented. They just call themselves Christians because they think that will force God to save them)
- <sup>11</sup>Then said the LORD unto me, Pray not for this people for their good. (Don't have pity on them; they are getting what they have been asking for)
- <sup>12</sup> When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them: but I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence.
- <sup>13</sup> Then said I, Ah, Lord GoD! behold, the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place. (Their false prophets are still lying to them. Today they preach the rapture and celebrate Easter. They say that Christians and muslims worship the same God. That is an insult to God <Yahoveh>. Allah is no god, Mohammad was no prophet)
- <sup>14</sup>Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.
- <sup>15</sup> Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed. (The false prophets will be judged and corrected by their own lies. Judgment begins at the pulpit)
- <sup>16</sup> And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the <u>sword</u>; and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them. (God gave them the truth, in the Bible. All they have to do is read it and learn, but they would rather sit in a church and listen to lies from some preacher. The are completely deceived by false teaching. Spiritually,

the sword in this verse is the true Word of God. see Revelation-1:15-16)

<sup>17</sup>Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow. (Christ is coming back at the end of this age, as the husband, to take a virgin bride <spiritually> for the great wedding. If she was seduced by antichrist, she will not be fit for the wedding. The virgin bride is the Christian assembly of peoples) see 13:26

<sup>18</sup> If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a land that they know not. (They don't know what they are talking about because they never actually studied God's Word. They make it up as they go – with sermons and false teachings. They do it for power and for money)

<sup>19</sup> Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul lothed Zion? why hast thou smitten us, and there is no healing for us? we looked for peace, and there is no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble! (Woe is us – say the people) (They did it to themselves. God didn't do it. They turned their backs on God, so He did the same to them. The world was consuming them because they no longer had God's protection)

<sup>20</sup> We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, and the iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee. (The "holy Joes" trying to put God on a guilt trip; it won't work. Notice acknowledged their sins but they didn't repent and change their ways)

<sup>21</sup> Do not abhor us, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us. (Again trying to put God on a guilt trip; they are the ones who broke the covenant; God didn't. They admit that they still continue on with their idolatries. God will not forsake the few that have remained faithful to Him. HE knows who they are. And they know that God won't forsake them) see-7:23 (God's promise to us)

<sup>22</sup> Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? art not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these things. (They'll wait until God to change His mind. Have they changed their evil ways? No. Have they truly repented? No. Do they still listen to

false teachings? Yes. Still celebrate Easter? Yes. Still think you will be raptured out, so you don't have to study God's Word? Yes)