

Jeremiah 19

King James Version (KJV)

19 Thus saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests; (bottle- a wide mouthed earthen bottle- Bacca<Hebrew> the sound of an emptying jug – it means emptying out)

² And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee, (east gate -> copyist error = should be Potter's Gate) (The potter's field would be paid for with the 30 pieces of silver for betraying Jesus to the high priest, 600 years later)

³ And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle. (evil= tumult, controversy, confusion) (Past- Nebuchadnezzar was coming; Future- the antichrist will set up his church there and deceive the world)

⁴ Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents; (deceiving people into false doctrine, to possibly lose their souls; killing the prophets that God sent to correct the people) Chapter-17:5 (Cursed be the man that trusts in man, instead of God)

⁵ They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind: (Idol worship, human sacrifice, etc... The physical and spiritual perversion was rampant) (God never even imagined that these people could become so evil)

⁶ Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter. (Tophet = burning; Hinnom = lamentation) (Spiritual deception and spiritual death of the soul)

⁷ And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcasses will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

(void – is Bacca in the manuscripts – the sound of emptying a water jug; this is not the same Hebrew word that is translated “void” in other parts of the Bible)

⁸And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof. (an hissing – a shame, a degradation; they have lost all of their blessings because of their perversion and their rebellion against God)

⁹And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them. (Nebuchadnezzar put Jerusalem under siege for a few years, before it fell. They actually resorted to cannibalism by the end of the siege) (On a spiritual level, God wants people to know their heritage. Today, most of the descendants of the 10 northern tribes call themselves gentiles. They don't even know where they came from)

¹⁰Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee, (You empty the bottle and then you break it in the Potter's field in the sight of men)

¹¹And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury. (Judgment for their evil deeds)

¹²Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet: (Tophet= burning) (past - by the Babylonians; Future - by the Kenites and antichrist)

¹³And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods. (Ishtar then; Easter now)

¹⁴Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD's house; and said to all the people,

¹⁵ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words. (They abandoned God; He will take His blessings away from them) (They have hardened their necks= they are too stubborn to change)