LAMENTATIONS 3:23-44

JEREMIAH 9:1

Oh, that my head were waters

And my eyes a fountain of tears,

That I might weep day and night

For those slain of the daughter of my people!

JEREMIAH 13:17

But if you do not listen to it,

My soul will weep in secret for such pride;

And my eyes will shed

And stream down tears,

Because the flock of the Lord has been taken captive.

CHAPTER I: JERUSALEM AND IT'S SUFFERING

LAMENTATIONS 1:1,6

- I. She has become like a widow Who was once great among the nations! She who was a princess among the provinces. Has become a forced laborer!
- 6. All of her splendor, Is gone from the daughter of Zion; Her leaders have become like deer, That have found no pasture, And they have fled without strength, From the pursuer.

CHAPTER 2: GOD'S PUNISHMENT AND HIS ANGER OVER ISRAEL

LAMENTATIONS 2:2, 5

- 2 The Lord has destroyed; He has not spared. All the settlements of Jacob. In His wrath He has overthrown. The strongholds of the daughter of Judah, He has hurled them down to the ground; He has profaned the kingdom and its leaders.
- 5 The Lord has become like an enemy. He has engulfed Israel; He has engulfed all its palaces, He has destroyed its strongholds. And caused great mourning and grieving in the daughter of Judah.

CHAPTER 3: JEREMIAH AND HIS SUFFERING

LAMENTATIONS 3:3-6

- 3 Indeed, He has turned His hand against me Repeatedly all the day.
- 4 He has consumed my flesh and my skin, He has broken my bones.
- 5 He has besieged and surrounded me with bitterness and hardship.
- 6 He has made me live in dark places, Like those who have long been dead.

LAMENTATIONS 3:22, 23

- 22 Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.
- 23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

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"I must never fail to record the unfailing faithfulness of a covenant-keeping God"

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

all I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

LAMENTATIONS 3:26, 27

- 26 it is good to wait quietly, for the salvation of the Lord.
- 27 It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young.

YOKES YOUNG INDIVIDUALS NEED TO BEAR

- The Yoke of Subjection to Authority
 - Ephesians 6:2, Proverbs 1:8,9
 - Romans 13:1-2
 - Ecclesiastes 12:1
- The Yoke of Self-Restraint
 - Titus 2:12, 2 Timothy 2:22
- The Yoke of Labor and Toil
 - 2 Thessalonians 3:11-13

LAMENTATIONS 3: 28

28 Let him sit alone in silence, for the Lord has laid it on him.

LAMENTATIONS 3:44

44 You have covered yourself with a cloud so that no prayer can get through.

PSALMS 66: 18

18 If I regard wickedness in my heart, The Lord will not hear.