

Jeremiah 19

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The Broken Jar

- 1** 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;
- 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,
- 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.
- 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;
- 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:
- 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.
- 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 carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.
- 8** And 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.

9 And 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.

10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,

11 And 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.

12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet:

13 And 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.

14 Then 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.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Blood — 血 (Dam)

Blood

The Hebrew **dam** (דָם) means blood—representing life itself. 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), and blood was required for atonement, foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice.

God — 神 (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Heaven — 天 (Shamayim)

Heaven, sky

The Hebrew **shamayim** (שָׁמַיִם) means heaven or sky—God's dwelling place and the realm above earth. 'The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's' (Psalm 115:16), yet 'the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him' (1 Kings 8:27).

Lord — 主 / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהֹוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Priest — 奉 (Kohen)

Priest

The Hebrew **kohen** (כהן) denotes a priest—one who mediates between God and people through sacrifices and intercession. Aaron and his descendants served as Israel's priests, foreshadowing Christ the Great High Priest.

Word — 言 (Davar)

Word, thing, matter

The Hebrew **davar** (דָבָר) means word, thing, or matter—God's creative and authoritative speech. 'By the word of the LORD were the heavens made' (Psalm 33:6).

CROSS REFERENCES

Jeremiah 19:1

Parallel theme: Isaiah 30:14; Lamentations 4:2. **References Lord:** Numbers 11:16

Jeremiah 19:2 **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 32:35; Joshua 15:8; 2 Kings 23:10; 2 Chronicles 28:3; 33:6

Jeremiah 19:3

References Lord: 1 Samuel 3:11. **Kingdom:** Jeremiah 17:20. **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 28:19.
Word: Jeremiah 6:19

Jeremiah 19:4 **Blood:** Jeremiah 2:34; 2 Kings 21:16; Isaiah 59:7. **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 2:13; 17:13; Deuteronomy 28:20; Isaiah 65:11. **References God:** Jeremiah 2:19; 7:9; 11:13

Jeremiah 19:5

Parallel theme: Jeremiah 32:35; Leviticus 18:21; Deuteronomy 12:31; 2 Kings 17:17

Jeremiah 19:6 **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 19:2; Joshua 15:8. **References Lord:** Isaiah 30:33

Jeremiah 19:7

Parallel theme: Jeremiah 7:33; 34:20; Leviticus 26:17. **Word:** Jeremiah 15:2; 15:9; 16:4

Jeremiah 19:8 **Sin:** Jeremiah 18:16; 25:18. **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 49:13; 50:13; 1 Kings 9:8; Zephaniah 2:15

Jeremiah 19:9

Parallel theme: Leviticus 26:29; Isaiah 9:20; Lamentations 2:20; 4:10; Ezekiel 5:10

Jeremiah 19:10 **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 19:1

Jeremiah 19:11

Parallel theme: Psalms 2:9; Isaiah 30:14; Lamentations 4:2; Revelation 2:27. **References Lord:** Jeremiah 13:14

Jeremiah 19:13 **Sacrifice:** Jeremiah 7:18; 32:29; 44:18. **Kingdom:** 2 Kings 23:12. **Parallel theme:** 2 Kings 23:10; Psalms 74:7; Zephaniah 1:5. **References God:** Deuteronomy 4:19; Psalms 79:1

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Jeremiah 19:15 **Parallel theme:** Jeremiah 7:26; 17:23. **Word:** Nehemiah 9:29. **References God:** Nehemiah 9:17