

Jeremiah 30:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Analysis

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD (הַדְבָר אֲשֶׁר-הָיָה אֶל-יִרְמְיָהוּ מֵאֵת ה')—Chapter 30 begins the 'Book of Consolation' (chs. 30-33), pivoting from judgment to promise. The prophetic formula *hayah el* (came to) emphasizes divine origin—not Jeremiah's speculation but God's self-revelation.

After 29 chapters of relentless judgment, this transition signals God's covenant faithfulness. Even as Babylon besieges Jerusalem (588-586 BC), God reveals restoration beyond exile. The placement is strategic—hope grounded in God's character, not circumstances. This word establishes the theological foundation for chapters that promise new covenant (31:31-34), return from captivity, and Messianic restoration.

Historical Context

Received during the final siege of Jerusalem (588-586 BC), when Jeremiah was imprisoned for 'treason' (32:2). As the city faced starvation and impending destruction, God commanded him to write promises of future restoration—a prophetic act of defiant hope.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Study Questions

1. How does God's word of hope in your darkest circumstances reveal His covenant character?
2. What promises has God given you to sustain faith when present experience contradicts future hope?
3. How do you maintain hope in God's ultimate restoration while accepting His current discipline?

Interlinear Text

הַדְּבָר	אֲשֶׁר	הָיָה	אֶל	יְרֵמְיָהוּ	מֵאֵת	יְהוָה
The word	H834	H1961	H413	that came to Jeremiah	H853	from the LORD
H1697				H3414		H3068

לֵאמֹר:
saying
H559
