

Jeremiah 30:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.

Analysis

'Jacob's trouble' refers to the unprecedented suffering during the Babylonian exile and ultimately the Great Tribulation. The phrase 'there is none like it' parallels Jesus' description of end-times distress (Matt 24:21). Yet the promise is salvation 'out of it' - not exemption from tribulation but deliverance through it. God's people are refined through suffering, not spared from it.

Historical Context

This prophecy had immediate relevance to the exile but takes on fuller meaning in light of Israel's history of suffering, including the Roman destruction of AD 70 and ongoing dispersion.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does the promise of deliverance through (not from) tribulation shape your endurance?
2. What role does suffering play in God's refining purposes for His people?

Interlinear Text

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Additional Cross-References

Daniel 12:1 (Parallel theme): And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

Malachi 4:1 (Parallel theme): For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

Daniel 9:12 (Parallel theme): And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

Joel 2:11 (Parallel theme): And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

Mark 13:19 (Parallel theme): For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.

Romans 11:26 (Salvation): And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

Psalms 34:19 (Parallel theme): Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

Jeremiah 30:10 (Salvation): Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.

Hosea 1:11 (Parallel theme): Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

Lamentations 1:12 (Parallel theme): Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce anger.