

Jeremiah 44:24

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah that are in the land of Egypt:

Analysis

Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women—The prophet specifically addresses hannashim (הַנָּשִׁים, the women) because they were primary practitioners of Queen of Heaven worship (v. 15-19). This prophetic confrontation marks the final recorded sermon of Jeremiah's ministry, delivered to covenant-breakers who fled to Egypt despite divine prohibition (42:19).

Hear the word of the LORD (שְׁמָעוּ דְּבַר־יְהוָה)—The imperative shim'u demands attention to Yahweh's authoritative davar (word/decreed). The exiles in Egypt had repeatedly refused to hear (v. 16), sealing their covenant rebellion. This public proclamation ensures they face judgment without excuse, establishing God's righteousness in executing covenant curses.

Historical Context

Delivered circa 580 BC to Jewish refugees in Tahpanhes, Egypt, after Jerusalem's fall (586 BC). These exiles had forcibly taken Jeremiah to Egypt (43:6-7), defying God's command to remain in Judah. Egyptian Jewish communities would later establish the Elephantine colony, which syncretized Yahweh worship with Egyptian deities.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. When have you selectively ignored specific warnings from Scripture while claiming to follow God in general?
2. How does addressing 'all the people, and to all the women' show God's impartiality in holding everyone accountable?
3. What does this final sermon reveal about God's patience in giving clear warning before judgment?

Interlinear Text

וַיֹּאמֶר	יִרְמְיָהוּ הוּ	כָּל	אֶל	הָעָם	כָּל	וְאֵל	לְ
said	Moreover Jeremiah	H413	H3605	unto all the people	H413	H3605	
H559	H3414			H5971			
וְכָל	הַנָּשִׁים	שְׁמָעוּ	דְּבַר	יְהוָה	כָּל	יְהוּדָה	אֲשֶׁר
and to all the women	Hear	the word	of the LORD	H3605	all Judah	H834	
H802	H8085	H1697	H3068		H3063		
בְּאֶרֶץ	מִצְרַיִם:						
that are in the land	of Egypt						
H776	H4714						

Additional Cross-References

Jeremiah 43:7 (References Lord): So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: thus came they even to Tahpanhes.

Jeremiah 42:15 (Word): And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;

Jeremiah 44:26 (Word): Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liveth.

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