

Lamentations 1:12

SEE ANY SORROW LIKE HIS?

- I. Jeremiah as type.
 - A. Jeremiah's lament was because of the physical ruin of Judah and Jerusalem.
 - B. Jeremiah's sorrow was more because of the spiritual condition of Judah and Jerusalem.
 - 1. He knew that this was because Jehovah had afflicted and that because of Judah's sins (5,8a,9a).
 - 2. The sins of God's church of that day were absolutely horrible, with only a remnant who had no place to worship.
 - 3. Jeremiah's agony is increased because it is Jehovah who has done this (13-15).
 - 4. And Jeremiah sees no way out (16,17) with no comfort anywhere (20,21a).
- II. The Lord Jesus declares this, asking us to consider and see His sorrow.
 - A. He calls us to consider His sorrow awakening us from an apparent lack of concern.
 - 1. So often Christ's suffering means little to us.
 - 2. To consider Him and His sorrow we must put away thoughts of ourselves, our trials, our situation.
 - B. Christ's sorrow and suffering teaches us three things.
 - 1. First, our sin and depravity and its horrible nature is what gave Jesus the greatest suffering (Isa. 53:4,5).
 - 2. Second, the depth and height of God's love for us is demonstrated in Jesus' willingness to suffer for us.
 - 3. Third, considering Jesus' sorrow moves us to love Him and to serve Him.
- III. Jesus' sorrow was most unique; there is no like to His.
 - A. There is a lot of sorrow and suffering in this world.
 - B. But Jesus' sorrow was truly unique and there is none like His.
 - 1. He suffered every moment of each day of His earthly life.
 - 2. He suffered as the perfectly innocent One.
 - 3. His sorrow was the enduring of the wrath of God against all of the sins of all of His people.
 - C. Do you see His sorrow? Does it get your attention so you bow in humble adoration?