

Jeremiah

Leading in a Corrupt World

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Man in God's Image



- God created the Heavens and Earth, He created life,
- Genesis 1
- God made "Humanity" (Man) in His Image.. We are models of God
- He gave man Dominion over the earth



Gen 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Gen 1:27 So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

Gen 1:31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

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The Fall and The Promise



- Genesis 3: Satan (Adversary)
Lucifer & 1/3 of the angels fell before the fall of man
- Permitted to test Adam & Eve obedience through the Serpent
- Adam and Eve accept the Serpents offer... The Fall... All of Creation fell with Humanity
- Why did all creation fall?
- God promised Redemption and Judgment
- The Seed of the Woman (Gen 3:15)



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Tomb of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and their wives



After the Flood

- God Established his plan through Abraham and Sarah
- Isaac and Rebecca
- Jacob 12-Sons (Israel)
- Moses leads the descendants of Jacob (Israel) out of Egypt
- Joshua leads "Israel" into the "Promised Land"
- One Kingdom established in the Land of Canaan
- Lead by Judges 1430 BC to 1025 BC

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The Promised Land

- Lead by Judges 1430 BC to 1025 BC
- Joshua, Samson, Gideon, Deborah, Samuel
- The people want a "King"
- Established as One Nation, under Saul, Later David...
- David's Kingdom is Divided between two Kingdom
- Israel
- Judah

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THE KINGDOMS OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH
1 KINGS 12

Divided Kingdom's of Israel and Judah

- After Solomon, in the Kingdom of Israel was divided into 2-Kingdoms
- Israel in the north (10-Tribes)
- Judah in the south (2-Tribes)
- Prophets were sent to both Kingdoms
- Prophets warned of judgment for "Disobedience"

Jonah, Hosea, Amos, Elijah, Elisha sent to Israel

Joel, Isaiah, Micah, Jeremiah sent to Judah

Deu 28:15-16
 (15) "But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.
 (16) Cursed shall you be in the city, and cursed shall you be in the field.

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From Adam to the flood
1656-years

From the Flood to Messiah

First Temple
Built by Solomon

2nd Temple
Built by Zerubbabel

God's Plan of Redemption

- From the "Fall" Genesis 3:15
- The "Seed of the Woman" would redeem Humanity
- God's Plan would be revealed through "Prophets"
- Satan would oppose God, Satan goal is to prevent his defeat
- Jeremiah reveals aspects of God's plan and the nature of Humanity
- He sets an example in a wicked world

Prophets are the "Pen" in the hand of God

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Black Obelisk of Shalmaneser III
858 BC

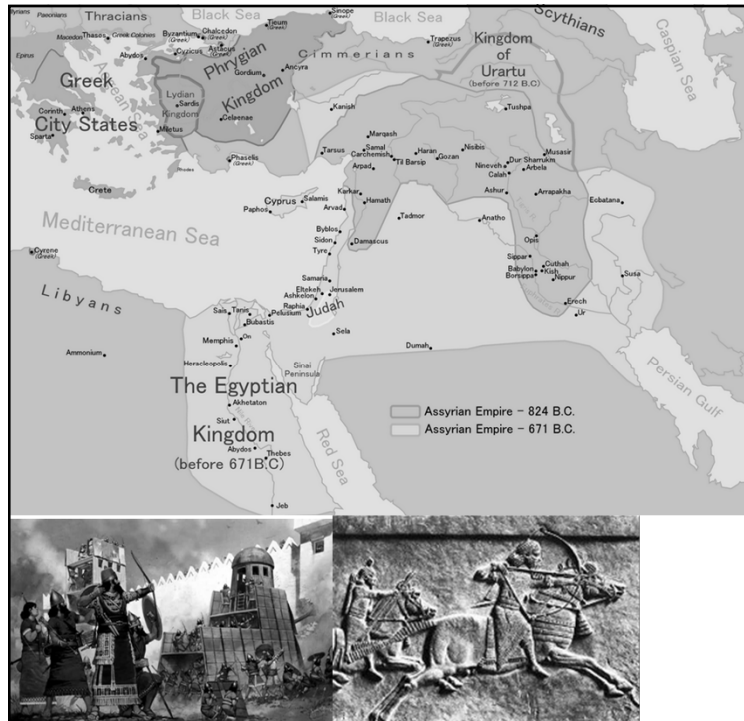
Israel falls to Baal worship

- God warned Israel of coming judgments
- The Nation had broken the "Covenant"
- Assyria was called to judge Israel in 722 BC
- 2 Ki 17:5-8
- (5) Then the king of Assyria invaded all the land and came to Samaria, and for three years he besieged it.
- (6) In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria, and he carried the Israelites away to Assyria and placed them in Halah, and on the Habor, the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.
- (7) And this occurred because the people of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, who had brought them up out of the land of Egypt from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods
- (8) and walked in the customs of the nations whom the LORD drove out before the people of Israel, and in the customs that the kings of Israel had practiced.

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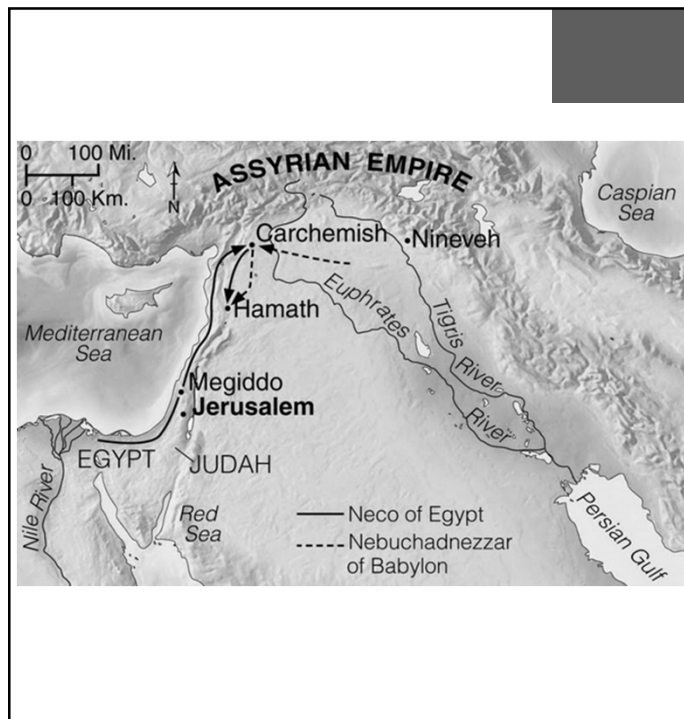
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Assyria takes Israel Captive

- In 722 BC, the Assyrian Empire invaded the land, Israel (Northern Kingdom) was taken into captivity.
 - Judah (Southern Kingdom) was spared. For the time being... It would follow Israel
- Assyria almost defeated Judah, but Hezekiah prayed and God destroyed the Assyrian Army
King of Assyria retreated back into the land 185,000 Assyrian soldiers died... Isaiah 37:36

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Judah is alone

- After Israel is taken captive, Assyria places foreigners in Samaria...to replace the Israelites (Samaritans)
- 3 Major powers exist, Assyria, Egypt and Babylon rising
- Judah becomes the battleground, physically and spiritually
- 627 BC, is when Jeremiah is called
- 13-year of Josiah, 1st Year of Revival
- Josiah resists the nations of Egypt, Assyria and Babylon

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Josiah's Revival

- 2Ch 34:1-8
- (1) Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty-one years in Jerusalem.
- (2) And he did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, and walked in the ways of David his father; and he did not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.
- (3) For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet a boy, he began to seek the God of David his father, and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem of the high places, the Asherim, and the carved and the metal images.
- (4) And they chopped down the altars of the Baals in his presence, and he cut down the incense altars that stood above them. And he broke in pieces the Asherim and the carved and the metal images, and he made dust of them and scattered it over the graves of those who had sacrificed to them.
- (8) Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had cleansed the land and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz, the recorder, to repair the house of the LORD his God.

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Jeremiah
Ezekiel
Daniel, Shadrach, Mischak and Abednego



Josiah's Revival

- 2Ch 34:14-16,30-31 (2 Kings 22-23)
- (14) While they were bringing out the money that had been brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found the Book of the Law of the LORD given through Moses.
- (15) Then Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the secretary, "I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the LORD." And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan.
- (16) Shaphan brought the book to the king, and further reported to the king, "All that was committed to your servants they are doing.
- (30) And the king went up to the house of the LORD, with all the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem and the priests and the Levites, all the people both great and small. And he read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant that had been found in the house of the LORD.
- (31) And the king stood in his place and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant that were written in this book.

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Divided Kingdom's of Israel and Judah

- Jeremiah is sent to Judah to warn of the impending Judgment on the nations sin...
- Josiah reforms would not stop God's wrath...The people were too corrupt
- Out of Judah God would preserve a seed who be resettle Judah after Judgment
- 13-year of Josiah Reign (21-years old) Jeremiah is called...20-30 age

People were given the option to choose the LORD through the preaching of Jeremiah...

Jeremiah prepared Judah for the coming Kingdom of God

2Ki 23:6-7

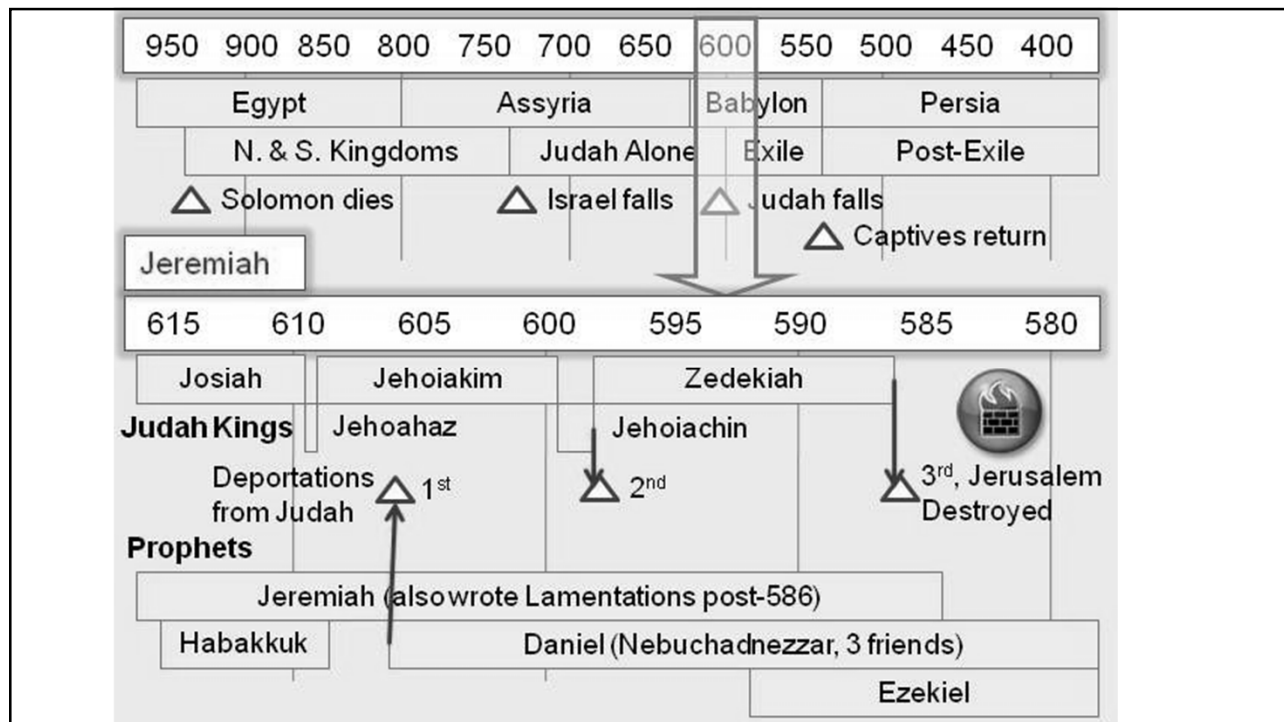
(6) And he brought out the Asherah from the house of the LORD, outside Jerusalem, to the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron and beat it to dust and cast the dust of it upon the graves of the common people.

(7) And he broke down the houses of the male cult prostitutes who were in the house of the LORD, where the women wove hangings for the Asherah.

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The Book of Jeremiah												
Focus	Jeremiah's Sermons						Jeremiah's Experiences					
Divisions	Judah in Jeopardy	Judah in Idolatry	Judah in Rebellion	Judah in the Potter's Hands	Judah in a Leadership Crisis	Judah in Opposition	Hope Amidst Judgment	Before the Fall	During the Fall	After the Fall	Gentiles in Judgment	Fall of Jerusalem
	1 6	7 10	11 15	16 20	21 25	26 29	30 33	34 36	37 39	40 45	46 51	52 52
Topics	Judgment						Hope	Judgment				
	Preaching						Portrayal			Prophecy		
Place	Judah										Babylon	
Time	About 42 Years (627-585 B.C.)											
Author	The Prophet Jeremiah											

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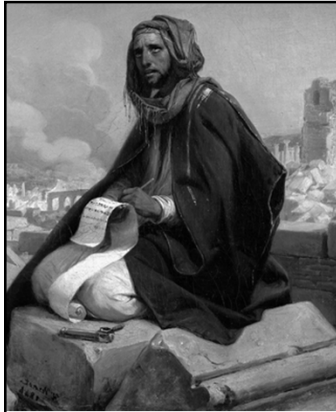
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Call of Jeremiah

- **Jer 1:1-2**
- **(1) The words of Jeremiah, the son of Hilkiah, one of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin,**
- **(2) to whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.**

- 13th Year of Josiah = 626-627 BC (Before Christ)
- Jeremiah name means "Yahweh hurls" or "Yahweh founds"
- Lived 2-miles north of Jerusalem
- Was not allowed to marry
- Ministry lasted over 40-years
- Was hated by the rulers and priests of Jerusalem
- His ministry was the most similar to Christ of the Prophets
- He proclaimed the coming of the Messiah
- He proclaimed the coming of the New Covenant
- He proclaimed the Kingdom of God
- He proclaimed the Future Restoration of Israel

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627-580 BC

Call of Jeremiah

- Jer 1:3-4
- (3) It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah, the son of Josiah, king of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.
- (4) Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

Jeremiah				Captives return			
615	610	605	600	595	590	585	580
Josiah		Jehoiakim		Zedekiah			
Jehoahaz		Jehoiachin					

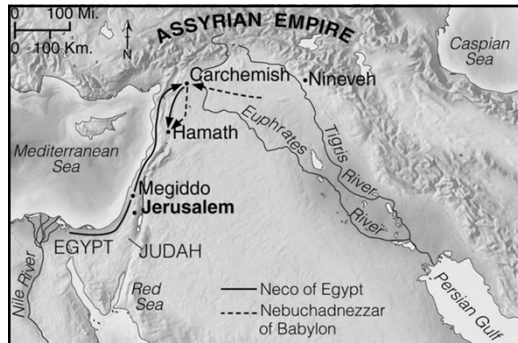
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God foreknew Jeremiah, what does that say about us?

- Jer 1:5-9
- (5) "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."
- (6) Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth."
- (7) But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak."
- (8) Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD."
- (9) Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me, "Behold, I have put my words in your mouth."

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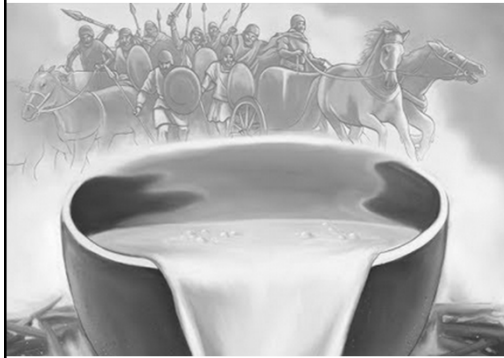
Jer 1:10-13

(10) See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

(11) And the word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Jeremiah, what do you see?" And I said, "I see an almond branch."

• (12) Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am watching over my word to perform it."

• (13) The word of the LORD came to me a second time, saying, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see a boiling pot, facing away from the north."



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Jer 1:14-16

• (14) Then the LORD said to me, "Out of the north disaster shall be let loose upon all the inhabitants of the land."

• (15) For behold, I am calling all the tribes of the kingdoms of the north, declares the LORD, and they shall come, and every one shall set his throne at the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, against all its walls all around and against all the cities of Judah.

• (16) And I will declare my judgments against them, for all their evil in forsaking me. They have made offerings to other gods and worshiped the works of their own hands.

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Jeremiah	Jesus
Priest of Judah	Priest order of Melchizadek
20-30	30
Warned of judgment	Warned of judgment
Warned the priesthood	Warned the priesthood
Spoke against the rulers	Spoke against the rulers
Dismissed false religion	Dismissed false religion
Was not married	Was not married

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- **Jer 1:17-19**
- **(17) But you, dress yourself for work; arise, and say to them everything that I command you. Do not be dismayed by them, lest I dismay you before them.**
- **(18) And I, behold, I make you this day a fortified city, an iron pillar, and bronze walls, against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, its officials, its priests, and the people of the land.**
- **(19) They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, declares the LORD, to deliver you."**

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Jer 2:1-4

(1) The word of the LORD came to me, saying,
(2) "Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the LORD, "I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride, how you followed me in the wilderness, in a land not sown.



- (3) Israel was holy to the LORD, the firstfruits of his harvest. All who ate of it incurred guilt; disaster came upon them, declares the LORD."
- (4) Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the clans of the house of Israel.

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The Return of Paganism

Maybe there actually is a genuinely post-Christian future for America.



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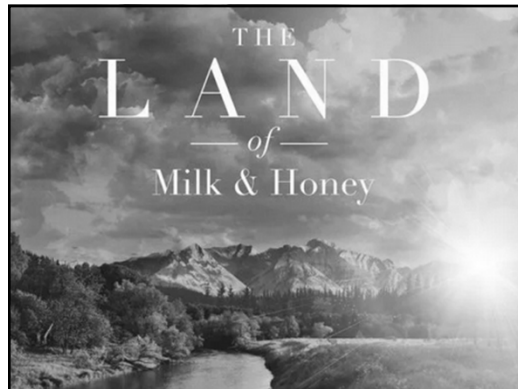


Here are some generally agreed-upon facts about religious trends in the United States. Institutional Christianity has weakened drastically since the 1960s. Lots of people who once would have been lukewarm Christmas-and-Easter churchgoers now identify as having "no religion" or being "spiritual but not religious." The mainline-Protestant establishment is an establishment no more. Religious belief and practice now polarizes our politics in a way they didn't a few generations back.

What kind of general religious reality should be discerned from all these facts, though, is much more uncertain, and there are various plausible stories about what early-21st century Americans increasingly believe. The simplest of these is the secularization story — in which modern societies inevitably put away religious ideas as they advance in wealth and science and reason, and the decline of institutional religion is just a predictable feature of a general late-modern turn away from supernatural belief.

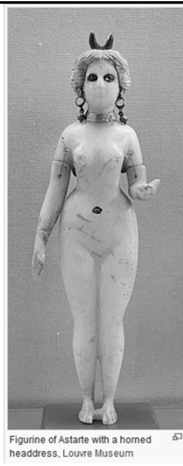
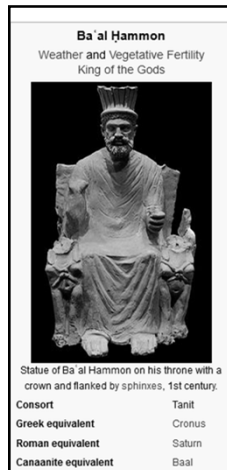
But the secularization narrative is insufficient, because even with America's churches in decline, the religious impulse has hardly disappeared. In the early 2000s, over 40 percent of Americans answered with an emphatic "yes" when Gallup asked them if "a profound religious experience or awakening" had redirected their lives; that number had doubled since the 1960s, when institutional religion was more vigorous. A recent Pew survey on secularization likewise found increases in the share of Americans who have regular feelings of "spiritual peace and well-being." And the resilience of religious impulses and rhetoric in contemporary political movements, even (or especially) on the officially secular left, is an obvious feature of our politics.

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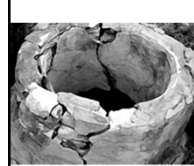


- Jer 2:5-8
- (5) Thus says the LORD: "What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthlessness, and became worthless?"
- (6) They did not say, 'Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that none passes through, where no man dwells?'
- (7) And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things. But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination.
- (8) The priests did not say, 'Where is the LORD?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the shepherds transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit.

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- Jer 2:9-13
- (9) "Therefore I still contend with you, declares the LORD, and with your children's children I will contend.
- (10) For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see, or send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has been such a thing.
- (11) Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit.
- (12) Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate, declares the LORD,
- (13) for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.
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British Museum

King Sargon II (.720 B.C.E)

Sargon II succeeded Shalmaneser V as king of Assyria during or shortly after the siege of Samaria, which is described in .2 Kings 17:1-6

Sargon nevertheless took credit for the capture of Samaria and the final elimination of the northern kingdom of Israel. Following the lead of his predecessor Tiglath-Pileser III, Sargon ordered the forced relocation of the conquered .Israelites

Jer 2:14-18

(14) "Is Israel a slave? Is he a homeborn servant? Why then has he become a prey?

(15) The lions have roared against him; they have roared loudly. They have made his land a waste; his cities are in ruins, without inhabitant.

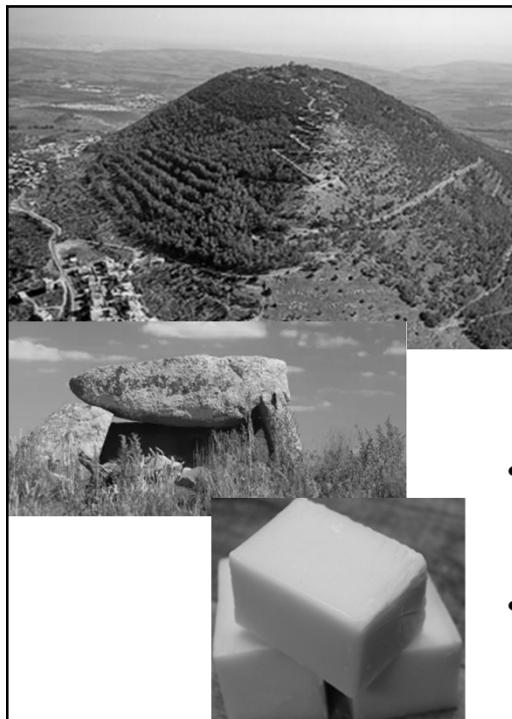
(16) Moreover, the men of Memphis and Tahpanhes have shaved the crown of your head.

- **(17) Have you not brought this upon yourself by forsaking the LORD your God, when he led you in the way?**

(18) And now what do you gain by going to Egypt to drink the waters of the Nile? Or what do you gain by going to Assyria to drink the waters of the Euphrates?



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Jer 2:19-22

(19) Your evil will chastise you, and your apostasy will reprove you. Know and see that it is evil and bitter for you to forsake the LORD your God; the fear of me is not in you, declares the Lord GOD of hosts.

(20) "For long ago I broke your yoke and burst your bonds; but you said, 'I will not serve.' Yes, on every high hill and under every green tree you bowed down like a whore.

- **(21) Yet I planted you a choice vine, wholly of pure seed. How then have you turned degenerate and become a wild vine?**
- **(22) Though you wash yourself with lye and use much soap, the stain of your guilt is still before me, declares the Lord GOD.**

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• Jer 2:23-26

• (23) How can you say, 'I am not unclean, I have not gone after the Baals'? Look at your way in the valley; know what you have done-- a restless young camel running here and there,

(24) a wild donkey used to the wilderness, in her heat sniffing the wind! Who can restrain her lust? None who seek her need weary themselves; in her month they will find her.

(25) Keep your feet from going unshod and your throat from thirst. But you said, 'It is hopeless, for I have loved foreigners, and after them I will go.'

• (26) "As a thief is shamed when caught, so the house of Israel shall be shamed: they, their kings, their officials, their priests, and their prophets,



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• Jer 2:27-30

• (27) who say to a tree, 'You are my father,' and to a stone, 'You gave me birth.' For they have turned their back to me, and not their face. But in the time of their trouble they say, 'Arise and save us!'

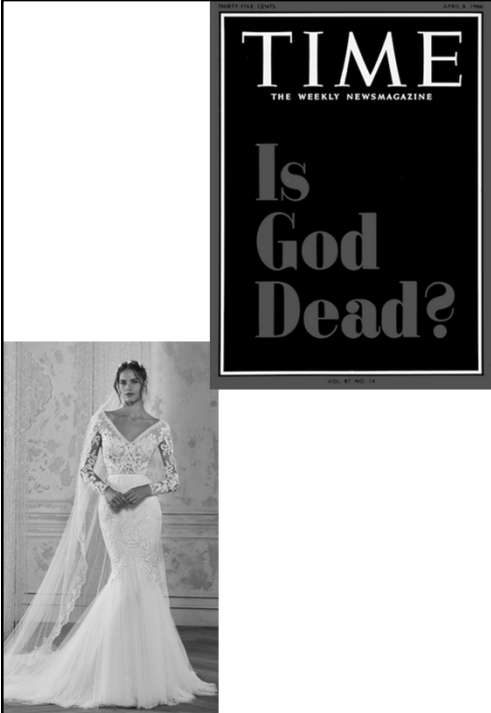
(28) But where are your gods that you made for yourself? Let them arise, if they can save you, in your time of trouble; for as many as your cities are your gods, O Judah.

• (29) "Why do you contend with me? You have all transgressed against me, declares the LORD.

• (30) In vain have I struck your children; they took no correction; your own sword devoured your prophets like a ravaging lion.



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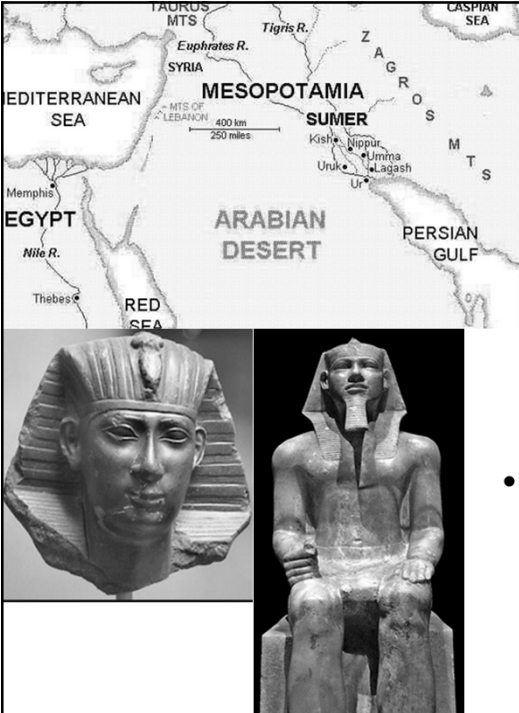


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Is God Dead?

- Jer 2:31-34
- (31) And you, O generation, behold the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness to Israel, or a land of thick darkness? Why then do my people say, 'We are free, we will come no more to you'?
- (32) Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number.
- (33) "How well you direct your course to seek love! So that even to wicked women you have taught your ways.
- (34) Also on your skirts is found the lifeblood of the guiltless poor; you did not find them breaking in. Yet in spite of all these things

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Jer 2:35-37

(35) you say, 'I am innocent; surely his anger has turned from me.' Behold, I will bring you to judgment for saying, 'I have not sinned.'

(36) How much you go about, changing your way! You shall be put to shame by Egypt as you were put to shame by Assyria.

- (37) From it too you will come away with your hands on your head, for the LORD has rejected those in whom you trust, and you will not prosper by them.

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