RULES FOR THE ROAD

1 Be concise. Please share your thoughts and answers, but be considerate so that others will have time to share their answers also. Be charitable and kind. Be willing to share with the group, but do not try to dominate the conversation. Use the time after the class to find help with any personal issues or problems you may be confronting in your life.

"Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires."

(James 1:19–20)

2 Be thoughtful with your answer. Consider your words. Do not simply regurgitate what you have always heard. We have the tendency to speak in "Christianese" — words that only people who grew up on the pews would understand. Think about how your words will be heard by others. Will they understand what you are saying? Is what you are about to say going to be useful for the building up of the faith of others? Or will your words be confusing, cause hurt, or worse, damage someone's faith? Speak without harshness or anger, but with kindness and humility.

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." (Ephesians 4:29)

3 Rely on the scriptures for truth. It is easy to rely upon conventional, worldly wisdom as truth. Bible study is about seeking God's answers for our lives, not dispensing the advice of the world. We must consider that our natural answers may be the wrong answers if they are not founded on God's word.

"For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength."

(1 Corinthians 1:25)

M	ain point:
Make additional notes at left and below:	
1	What is the primary point of the forthcoming prophecy (30:1-3)?
2	What is the first picture given in this prophecy (30:4-7)?
3	What changes will occur (30:8-11)? Who will accomplish this?
4	Who can save Israel (30:12-17)? Who had Israel depended on to save them? Did it help? Who does God say inflicted Israel's wound?
5	Write down all that God promises to do for his people and explain the meanings (30:18-24).
6	What is God's promise to the people (30:22-24)?

M	lain point:
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1	What will happen "at that time" (31:1-2)? Explain.
2	Carefully read and write down all the promises God makes to Israel in 31:3-9.
3	What will be the attitude and the response of the people when they come (31:9)? What do we learn
4	What is God going to do for his people and what will be the response of his people (31:10-14)?
5	Explain the message in 31:15-16. Read Matthew 2:16-18 and explain how this prophecy was also fulfilled in the days of Jesus.
6	What is God's great message in this chapter (31:17-20)?
7	What is God calling for the people to do (31:21-25)? What is God going to do? Look at verse 25 and then read Acts 3:19-21. Explain what God is ultimately promising.

8	What is God going to do in the coming days (31:27-30)? Explain the message.
9	What else is God going to do in the coming days (31:31-34)? What will be the response of the people? Read Hebrews 8:1-13. How does the writer of Hebrews apply this prophecy? Explain.
10	What grand promise does the Lord make (31:35-37)? How should we understand this prophecy? Consider Romans 9:6-8 in your answer.
11	What else will happen in the coming days (31:38-40)? How is this prophecy fulfilled?
Но	ANSFORMATION: w does this relationship change your relationship with God? What did you learn about him? What wil u do differently in your life?

Main point:___

M	lake additional notes at left and below:
1	What is the failure of Zedekiah (32:1-5)? What lessons do we learn?
2	Why does Jeremiah buy a field (31:6-15)? What is God's message?
3	What characteristics of God are proclaimed in Jeremiah's prayer (32:16-25)? List them and explain what we learn about God.
4	What is God's message (32:26-29)? What do we learn about God?
5	What shocking thing does God say about his people (32:31)? What do we learn about ourselves and about God?
6	What will God do and what will be the heart of the people (32:36-41)?
7	What is God's message of hope (32:42-44)?

TRANSFORMATION:

Μ	lain point:
Make additional notes at left and below:	
1	Where is Jeremiah still (33:1)?
2	What is God's message in 33:2-9? What is the hope God offers?
3	What were the people saying (33:10-13)? What was God saying?
4	What does God promise to do (33:14-18)? Write down all of the promises and their meaning. What is significant about the prophecy in verse 17?
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5	What is the hope for the people (33:19-22)?
6	What were the people saying (33:23-26)? What was God's promise?

V	lain point:	
V	Make additional notes at left and below:	
1	What is God's message to Zedekiah about him and the city (34:1-7)?	
2	What had God commanded the people to do regarding the slaves (34:8-16)? Had the people been obeying this command?	
3	What proclamation of freedom does God declare because they refused to free their slaves (34:17-22)? What else will happen?	
4	What was the lesson God wanted his people to learn from the Rekabites (35:1-16)? How do we fall into the same sin?	
5	What blessing does God give for the faithfulness of the Rekabites (35:17-19)?	

TRANSFORMATION:

Main point:		
M	ake additional notes at left and below:	
1	What is God's intention when commanding Jeremiah to write all his words on the scroll (36:1-3)? What do we learn about God?	
2	Why can't Jeremiah proclaim the words to the people (36:4-10)? Who helps Jeremiah accomplish his task?	
3	What is the reaction of the officials upon hearing the word of God (36:11-19)? Why do the officials tell Jeremiah and Baruch to hide? What does this tell you about the spiritual condition of Israel?	
4	What was the response of King Jehoiakim as the scroll of the word of the Lord was read (36:20-26)? What are your thoughts about this scene?	
5	What is God's response (36:27-32)? How is this a message to the king and the people?	

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M	Make additional notes at left and below:		
1	What is the sin of King Zedekiah, his attendants, and the people of the land (37:1-3)? What is ironic about what Zedekiah then does? What is the message to the reader?		
2	What is God's message through Jeremiah (37:4-10)?		
3	What happens to Jeremiah (37:11-22)? Who helps Jeremiah?		
4	What is God's message (38:1-3)? Read Deuteronomy 28:20-24 and Leviticus 26:23-26. What were the people to understand from Jeremiah's prophetic message?		
5	What happens to Jeremiah (38:4-6)? What does Zedekiah do? Is this surprising after his actions in chapter 37?		
6	Then what does Zedekiah do (38:7-13)? What do we learn about this king?		
7	Explain the conversation between Jeremiah and Zedekiah (38:14-28). What is happening? Why the secrecy?		

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1	What does chapter 39 describe? What were some of the horrors of this event? Where in Deuteronomy did God warn Israel that this would happen if they disobeyed?
2	How does Nebuchadnezzar treat Jeremiah (39:11-14)? Compare and contrast his treatment by Nebuchadnezzar with his treatment by Zedekiah.
3	What is God's promise to Jeremiah (39:15-18)?
4	What happens to Jeremiah in 40:1-6? Who does the text say did all of this for Jeremiah?
5	What happens in 40:7-16?
6	What else happens in chapter 41?

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1	What do the people as Jeremiah to do (42:1-6)? What do we learn from this?
2	How long do they wait for prayer to be answered?
3	What was God's response to their prayer (42:7-22)? What was the clear message to them?
4	What is the people's response to God's answer given through Jeremiah (43:1-7)? What lessons do we learn from this?
5	What is God's message for their disobedience (43:8-13)?

TRANSFORMATION:

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Μ	ake additional notes at left and below:	
1	Who is the prophecy of chapter 44 directed to (44:1)?	
2	What is God's message to these people (44:2-10)? What sin have they committed?	
3	What is the result of their sin (44:10-14)?	
4	What is the response of the people to God's message (44:15-19)? What lesson do we learn?	
5	What is Jeremiah's response to the people's reaction (44:20-30)?	
6	What is the message to Baruch (45:1-5)? What lessons do we learn from this?	

Ν	Main point:
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1	What is God's message to Egypt in 46:1-12? What is the false thinking of Egypt (46:8-9)? Who is going to be victorious (46:10)?
2	What is God's message to Egypt in 46:13-26? What is going to happen to the Egyptians?
3	What is God's message to Israel (46:27-28)?
4	What is the hope for Israel?

	ain point: lake additional notes at left and below:
1	What is God's message to the Philistines (47:1-7)? What do we learn about God (cf. 47:7)?
2	What is God's message to Moab (48:1-47)?
3	What sin does God condemn the people of Moab for (48:7)? What lessons do we learn about ourselves and about God?
4	What sin does God condemn the people of Moab for (48:26)? What lessons do we learn about ourselves and about God?
5	What sin does God condemn the people of Moab for (48:29-30)? What lessons do we learn about ourselves and about God?
6	What hope is given to Moab (48:47)? Explain how this would be fulfilled.
7	What is God's message to Ammon (49:1-6)? Explain how verse 2 and verse 6 would be fulfilled.

Main point:__ Make additional notes at left and below: **1** What is the initial message to Babylon (50:1-3)? 2 What will happen "in those days" (50:4-5)? Explain how this was fulfilled. **3** What is the reason for Babylon's judgment (50:11-13)? Explain the imagery. 4 Describe what God is going to do (50:19-20). **5** What else is described as the reason for Babylon's judgment (50:29-32)? **6** What hope does God give in 50:33-34? What lessons do we learn about us and about God? 7 What hope does God give in 51:5? What lessons do we learn about us and about God?

8	What hope does God give in 51:10? What lessons do we learn about us and about God?
9	Who is God using to destroy the Babylonians (51:11-13)?
10	Describe the imagery God gives about himself (51:14-16). Why does God say these things abou himself? What is the audience to understand?
11	Why is idolatry foolish (51:17-19)?
12	What is the call for God's people (51:45-48)? How is this to give the people hope?
13	What hope does God give in 51:52-58? How does this give hope for us?
14	What instructions does Jeremiah give to Seraiah? What's the message?
Но	ANSFORMATION: w does this relationship change your relationship with God? What did you learn about him? What wil u do differently in your life?

М	Main point:			
M	Make additional notes at left and below:			
1	What was the character of Zedekiah (52:1-3)?			
2	Give a description of God's judgment against his people in Jerusalem.			
3	What happened to Zedekiah (52:9-11)?			
4	What happened to the temple of the Lord (52:12-23)?			
5	What happened to the people in Jerusalem (52:24-30)?			
6	Why is this ending to Jeremiah recorded (52:31-34)? What is the message?			



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