~JEHUCAL (51)

(Je-hu'cal) [Yehowah Is Able, Yehowah Prevails, Jucal, Ju'cal, shortened form of Jehucal, meaning, Yehowah Is Able, Yehowah Prevails]

- A prince sent by King Zedekiah to ask Jeremiah to pray for Judah.
- And King Zedekiah proceeded to send Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest to Jeremiah the prophet, saying; Pray, please, in our behalf to Yehowah our God. (Jeremiah 37:3)
- This son of Shelemiah and three other influential princes had Jeremiah put into the miry cistern because his preaching was, as they put it, weakening the hands of the men of war, as well as the hands of the people in general.
- And Shephatiah the son of Mattan and Gedaliah the son of Pashhur and Jucal the son of Shelemiah and Pashhur the son of Malchijah got to hear the words that Jeremiah was speaking to all the people, saying; (Jeremiah 38:1)
- This is what Yehowah has said; The one continuing to dwell in this city is the one that will die by the sword, by the famine and by the pestilence. But the one going out to the Chaldeans is the one that will keep living and that will certainly come to have his soul as a spoil and alive. (Jeremiah 38:2)
- This is what Yehowah has said; Without fail this city will be given into the hand of the military force of the king of Babylon, and he will certainly capture it. (Jeremiah 38:3)
- And the princes began to say to the king; Let this man, please, be put to death, for that is how he is weakening the hands of the men of war who are left remaining in this city and the hands of all the people, by speaking to them according to these words. For this man is one seeking not for the peace of this people but for calamity. (Jeremiah 38:4)
- So King Zedekiah said; Look! He is in your hands. For there is nothing at all in which the king himself can prevail against you. (Jeremiah 38:5)

And they proceeded to take Jeremiah and throw him into the cistern of Malchijah the son of the king, which was in the Courtyard of the Guard. So they let Jeremiah down by means of ropes. Now in the cistern there was no water, but mire, and Jeremiah began to sink down into the mire. (Jeremiah 38:6)