## BEING FAITHFUL TO GOD IN TROUBLED TIMES (and other times as well) Studies in Jeremiah with Tom Taylor

The following list gives the message titles and suggested texts in the Book of Jeremiah for the particular studies. That I have not developed the messages to a full extent is probably obvious but it is hoped that a synopsis statement will help.

- MESSAGE # 1: The Book, the Author, and Troubled Times. Jeremiah 1-2, etc. Just an informal study about the plan of the book and a quick analysis of the events in the life of the prophet. This is one of those survey talks where no one is really sure what is being covered but almost every preacher thinks such information is necessary.
- MESSAGE # 2: Accept Your Calling from God, Jeremiah 1, 20, etv. In any time, especially a troubled time, this is absolutely necessary. What has God called you to be? What has He equipped you to do? The reasoning is that the sooner we identify these things the sooner we are fit to serve.
- MESSAGE # 3: Be Clear in your duties, Jeremiah 2, 13, 18, 19 It is plain we will not cover all thes chapters in detail but will emphsize that in all of life here are particular duties and what one can do is to be serve in the capacity and area of calling. As we have differing gifts and abilities we have different areas of serving. To be faithful to that commitment is a big step in the right direction.
- MESSAGE # 4 Depend on the Lord..be careful about others. Jeremiah 11, 20, etc Since the calling and appointment are of God our trust must be in Him and in His declarative will. We will need--and will receive--help from others but our expectation is in Him. A lot more care be said about this and.....
- MESSAGE # 5 Step Up Against Unbelief, Jeremiah 28, 29 It is necessary for the Lord's people to express themselves in positive ways. No everyone will have the unction shown by Jeremiah but if those who know the truth express the truth, everything is better.
- MESSAGE # 6 Believe God Will Do What He Says, Jeremiah 32, 33 (cf. 29) What God promised to do in this book was defied by kings, courtiers, and religious zealots. The advantage Jeremiah had over these was that he actually believed God. That gives one courage and assurance in the fulfillment of duty. Of course, one must know what God has to say and how the total picture of His program is involved.

and this is the end of our series...there is a lot more in the book....read it and take heart for your opportunities.