

# YOUNG TWIGS

## Jeremiah 1–3:5

Year 2, lesson 22

The book of Jeremiah warns of upcoming destruction to Judah if they do not repent from their idolatry and turn back to God. Do you have any idols in your life? ▲

### Observation and interpretation

Read Jeremiah 1–3:5. Mark *God, Lord, and pronouns, forsaken/forgotten, prophets/prophesy.*

1. List the kings who reigned during the time that Jeremiah was a prophet. (Jer 1:1–3)
2. What has God appointed Jeremiah to do?
3. What was Jeremiah's response to this appointment? What does God tell him?
4. What are the two evils the people have committed? (Jer 2:13)

### Interpretation: *what does the author mean?*

5. What is Jeremiah supposed to tell the people?
6. What do you think that God is telling Jeremiah in 1:18? What does He mean?

7. Read Jeremiah 2:5–8. What do you think God’s “feelings” are when He says this?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. God describes the nation of Israel as a “harlot”. (Jer 2:20, 3:1) What does this mean?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
9. God tells Israel that they should be ashamed to call a tree “their father” and a stone the one who gave them “birth”. (Jer 2:26–27) What does He mean?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
10. What are the chapter themes for Jeremiah 1–3?

**Application: *therefore, what shall I do?***

11. God asked Jeremiah to do something hard that he didn’t really want to do. Has God ever asked you to do something that you didn’t want to do? Something that was hard?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
12. The people of Israel worshipped foreign gods and other things like rocks and trees. Do people today worship foreign gods, rocks and trees? Make a list of things that people in our culture worship. What about you? Who do you worship?