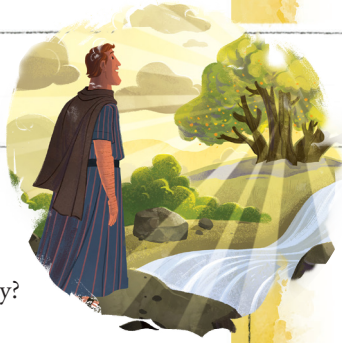# Journal Page

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Do you always obey rules at home? Why not?
- Is your heart hard toward God or soft? Why?
- Why do you think God sent prophets to warn His people?

FOLD

Jeremiah, Prophet to Judah
Jeremiah

STORY POINT: JEREMIAH TOLD GOD'S PEOPLE ABOUT A NEW AND BETTER COVENANT.

When Josiah was the king of Judah, God called a priest named Jeremiah to be a prophet. Jeremiah said, "I don't know how to speak in front of other people. I'm just a boy, only a youth."

God replied, "You will go where I send you and say what I tell you to say. I am with you. I will protect you."

Jeremiah spoke God's message to the people of Judah. He reminded them that God had made a covenant with them: If they obeyed Him, He would bless them. But the people did not obey. Now God had to punish their sin. God said the people would lose their land, their wealth, and their freedom.

God promised a new and better covenant so the people could be saved from their sins. God would write His law on people's hearts and give His people power to obey His commands.

Jeremiah spoke God's words, and his friend Baruch wrote the words on a scroll. King Jehoiakim cut off each part of the scroll and threw it into the fire. So God told Jeremiah to write another scroll with the same words. Jeremiah told the king, "God is going to punish you, your family, and your leaders for doing wrong things. God warned you that disaster will come to Judah but you did not listen."

Christ Connection: Jeremiah told about a day when God would forgive sin and change people's hearts. Jesus made these words come true. God forgives our sin through His Son, Jesus. He changes us and gives us power through His Spirit to obey His commands.

Dream Job

Think about a job you would love to have.

Draw a picture of yourself in that job.

List the skills you would need.

List some of the tasks you would need to do.

Old Covenant: the agreement God made with His people based on their obedience to the Law

New Covenant: the agreement God made with people that He will give us new hearts and forgive our sin

OLD COVENANT, NEW COVENANT

Color the statements red if they describe the old covenant, or color them yellow if they describe the new covenant.

Jesus gave His perfect life as a sacrifice for the forgiveness of sin.

Make offerings and sacrifices such as grain and animals as payment for sin.

God accepts us into His family and gives us the Holy Spirit. Nothing can separate us from Him.

Because of Jesus, God remembers our sin no more. We die to sins and live for righteousness.

Offer two goats— one killed and one sent into the wilderness— to remove the sins of the people.

Sprinkle blood in the temple to purify, or wash away, the sins of the people.

The blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin.

Observe the Day of Atonement as God's loving way to make His people holy.