

INTO CAPTIVITY
(2 Kings 25:22-30)

- I. Judah in _____ (2 Kings 25:22-26)
- A. Nebuchadnezzar appointed Gedaliah _____ of the region (25:22)
- B. Nebuchadnezzar had Jeremiah _____ (Jer. 39:11-14; 40:1-6)
1. Invited him to _____ as a _____ of the king
 2. Permission to go _____ throughout _____
- C. Jeremiah went to Mizpah to join _____
1. Gedaliah's father had gone to _____ for _____ (2 Kings 22:12)
 2. Gedaliah's father had _____ Jeremiah from _____ (Jer. 26:24)
- D. Several other men “_____” joined Gedaliah (2 Kings 25:23)
1. This was neither a _____ nor a _____
 2. This was an attempt to _____ a _____
- E. Gedaliah promised they would _____ and _____ in the land if they would _____ the Chaldeans (25:24)
1. He was advocating _____ the word of _____ from _____
 2. Things went _____ at first
 3. He did not believe the report of a _____ to _____ him
- F. Ishmael _____ Gedaliah along with _____ (25:25; cf. Jer. 41:3-7)
- G. Ishmael fled to _____ with only _____ of his men (Jer. 41:11-15)
- H. The _____ sought _____ from the _____ (Jer. 42:1-6)

1. "If you will _____, you will not be _____"

2. "If you _____ to _____, you will _____"

I. They went to _____, forcing _____ to go with them (25:26; Jer. 43:1-7)

II. Historical Footnote Concerning _____ (2 Kings 25:27-30)

A. He's been in _____ for _____

B. He was _____ from _____ and given a place of _____
(25:27-28)

1. He _____ at the _____

2. He was given a royal _____ for _____

III. Lessons

A. Human _____ ignores divine _____

1. The greater a person's _____, the more spectacular becomes his

2. People tend to _____ more than they _____

B. Judah's destruction was an act of _____

1. He "would not forgive" because they shed "_____"
(2 Kings 24:4)

2. His people continually _____ His messengers and _____
His words (2 Chron. 36:15-16)

3. His people had not allowed the _____ a sabbath's rest every _____
(2 Chron. 36:21; cf. Lev. 25:1-7; 26:34)

C. It provides a harbinger of _____

1. God was _____ in the midst of _____

2. Some would _____ and be _____ to a place of honor