



BIG IDEA: The LORD will never leave nor forsake His people.

THE BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY (Jeremiah 25, 2 Kings 24, 2 Chronicles 36)

Israel was plagued with idolatry and rebellion against Yahweh.

God used Babylon as His agent of judgment against Israel.

The captivity lasted for 70 years as prophesied by Jeremiah.

THE DESTRUCTION OF THE FIRST TEMPLE (Lamentations 1, 2 Kings 25)

The first temple was built by Solomon.

A godly structure for worship did not create godly people.

The Babylonians burned and ransacked the temple.

The first temple was destroyed in 586 B.C..

ZERUBBABEL, EZRA AND NEHEMIAH

Zerubbabel was concerned about building the temple.

Ezra was concerned about building spiritual lives.

Nehemiah was concerned about the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls.