



New Mercies
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Calvary Baptist Church

INTRODUCTION (Lamentations 2:1 – 3:20; cf. Ps. 132:7; Deut. 11:26-28)

Lamentations (Heb. Weeping), written by Jeremiah and thus earning him the name “the weeping prophet,” is a series of funeral dirges (songs of mourning) set at the time of the Babylonian Captivity of Judah in 586 B.C.

AN OUTLINE OF LAMENTATIONS

- I. The Misery of Jerusalem ([1:1-22](#))
- II. The Lord's Anger with His People ([2:1-22](#))
- III. An Individual's Personal Experience ([3:1-66](#))
- IV. Zion's Past and Prospects ([4:1-22](#))
- V. An Appeal to the Lord ([5:1-22](#)) *Bible Reader's Companion*.

I. The **Memory of God's Mercy (Lam. 3:21A)**

II. The **Marvel of God's Mercy**

- A. The **Protection** of God's Mercy (3:22)
- B. The **Permanence** of God's Mercy (3:22B)
- C. The **Persistence** of God's Mercy

(3:23; cf. Ps. 86:15; Micah 7:18-19; Luke 1:50; Ps. 30:5)

III. The **Magnitude of God's Mercy (3:23B)**

IV. The **Ministry of God's Mercy**

- A. The **Possession** (3:24)
- B. The **Prospects** (3:21B; 24B)

V. The **Mandate of God's Mercy (3:25-26)**

- A. Be **Waiting** (Is. 33:2; Is. 40:31)
- B. Be **Seeking** (Ps. 27:8; 119:2; Is. 55:6; Jer. 29:13)
- C. Be **Still** (Ex. 14:13)

CONCLUSION (cf. Lam. 3:40, 41)