

Lamentations

Background

- What are the names given to this book? What does each tell us about the content and purpose of this book? Why is that important for understanding this book?
- What does the Lecture suggest about the date of this book? How does this help us understand the occasion and message of this book?
- What does the Lecture suggest about the author of this book? What is the significance of this?

Outline

- How is this book organized? What is an “acrostic”? What does this tell us about the organization of this book? What does this tell us about the composition of this book? What does this tell us about the meaning and message of this book? How should we respond?

Content

- What are the key verses of Lamentations? What does each highlight? What does each tell us about the overall content and message of Lamentations? What does each tell us about how God deals with His people? What does each tell us about how we should respond?
- How do the key verses demonstrate lament, repentance, and hope? What difference does this make?

Themes

- Explain each of the theological themes in your own words. What does each tell us about the content, message and significance of Lamentations? How should each idea be applied in current life?
- What does this teach us about how/where to find hope in the midst of difficult times? How should we respond?

Review

- Review the organization of Lamentations and work toward committing it to memory.
- Review the key themes of Lamentations and work toward committing them to memory.