



Outline of Old Testament: Lamentations by [John T Polk II](#)

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

Lamentations = "Ah, how!" **[God Is Plaintive]** During Jerusalem's Downfall **2 Kings 23-25; 2 Chronicles 36** **Blueprint For Redemption**

- I. Lament over Jerusalem's Destruction 1:1-22**
Redemption
- II. Lament over Judah's Debasing 2:1-22**
- III. Lament over Jeremiah's Demanding 3:1-66**
- IV. Lament over Jerusalem's Degeneracy 4:1-22**
- V. Lament over Judah's Dishonor 5:1-22**

Digging In The Dirge:

- Jerusalem:
 - Was as lonely as a widow **1:1**
 - "Did not consider her destiny" **1:9**
 - Let "nations enter her sanctuary" whom God forbade **1:10**
 - Had no one to care **1:12**
 - Had abandoned the law and the prophets **2:9**
 - Had eaten her children and murdered priest and prophet **2:20; 4:10**
 - Forgot prosperity for the pain **3:17**
 - Was spared a bit through the LORD's mercies **3:22, 31**
 - Showed less nurturing than jackals **4:3**
 - Squandered away their inheritance **5:2**
 - Had to buy water and firewood **5:4**
 - Lost all joy **5:15**
- Too late for tears **1:16; 2:11; 3:49**
- Too late for repentance **3:40**
- There is NO true prophecy without the Lord **3:37**
- This punishment was greater than that of Sodom **4:6**
- There is a "better way to die" than slowly **4:9**
- Drunkenness is associated with nakedness **4:21**