JEREMIAH 4; July 5.; Refuse to Repent & Suffer God's Fury

ANALYSIS:

1. Unless Judah and Jerusalem circumcise their hearts, what will they suffer from the LORD which cannot be quenched?

2. Judah's judgment by a nation from the north is pictured by what wild beast? _____

3. The speed and fury of the invading army is likened to what?

4. What reason is restated in verse 17 for God's judgment?

5. How does the prophet describe God's judgment on Judah in figurative language upon each of the following? The earth _____; the heavens _____; the mountains _____; the hills _____; man ____; birds _____; fruitful place _____; cities _____.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

This chapter begins with God's explanation of how Judah can experience salvation, i. e., deliverance from a fierce foreign power. Return to the LORD and put away their abominations. Returning to the LORD requires getting rid of idols and associated evils. This two-part move by man will be met by God's forgiveness and embrace.

Sin is so deceitful that warnings often go unheeded, and God must chasten to bring repentance and correction. Be wise: repent, clean house, confess the sin(s) and seek the Lord. He will meet you, draw nigh to you and restore you! (Luke 15:20, 22-24 the father received the prodigal son).

HELP:

- 1. Fury (v 4).
- 2. Lion (v 7).
- 3. Wind, clouds, whirlwind, eagles (vs 11-13).

4. Judah has been rebellious against the LORD (v 17).

5. The earth = without form and void; the heavens = no light; the mountains = trembled; the hills = moved lightly; man = missing; birds = fled; fruitful land = wilderness; cities = broken down (vs 23-26).