

August 5 Questions

- 1) God told Jeremiah to stand in the gate of the _____ and condemn the people for their sin: “Will you steal and murder, commit adultery and perjury, burn incense to Baal and follow other gods you have not known, and then come and stand before me in this house, which bears my Name, and say, ‘We are _____’—safe to do all these detestable things?” (Jer 7:9–10 NIV). The people of Judah thought they could get away with sin because they were God’s _____ people (cf. Jer 9:25–26). Do we think that because we’re Christians, we can sin and get by? We need to remember: “Whoever says ‘I know him’ but does not keep his commandments is a _____, and the _____ is not in him” (1 John 2:4). Judah’s day of judgment was fast approaching, and they had no one to blame but themselves. Most frustrating of all, they didn’t believe that God would destroy them. They said things like, “This is the temple of the _____ (He would never let it be destroyed). We are _____ and the _____ of the LORD is with us. _____, peace!” (Jer 7:4; 8:8, 11). Jeremiah tried to break through these lies, but nothing he said would persuade them (e.g., Shiloh in Jer 7:12–14). Yet God didn’t give up; He kept sending Jeremiah back to warn them. This teaches us that God is longsuffering and _____.