

August 7 Questions

- 1) News of the discovery of the Book of the Law spread quickly throughout Jerusalem. It likely prompted the _____ in Jeremiah's preaching from a denunciation of the people's idolatry to a rebuke for breaking the _____ (cf. Jer 2:11 with Jer 11:3). Jeremiah warned the people that the covenant _____ given by Moses (Deut 28:15–68) would soon come to pass: "Behold, I am bringing disaster upon them that they cannot escape" (Jer 11:11). Jeremiah's message was met with resistance. Some conspired against him and even his own _____ turned on him. Jeremiah complained to God, but God told him that the worst was yet to come (Jer 12:5). This teaches us that speaking the truth doesn't mean that people will obey. Our responsibility is to faithfully proclaim God's message and leave the _____ in His hands. Josiah, however, did not reject Jeremiah's warning. He took God's word seriously, and at the time of the Passover feast, he called the people to _____ the covenant. God was pleased with Josiah's love and said that there was no king like him who turned to God with all his heart (2 Kgs 23:25). Nevertheless, the decision to exile Judah remained firm. Judgment was coming, and Josiah's reforms only _____ the inevitable.