

Walking with God Session Eight

Chapter Eight: Exile

Reflect:

- Exile was one of the covenantal curses. What were some of the others?
- Through our baptism, we are in a covenantal relationship with God. What, if anything, are the blessings and the curses of our covenant with God?
- When we lost the ability to publicly worship at Mass together as a parish family during the COVID lockdown, did you feel a bit of an exile from the Lord?



Act One: The Northern Kingdom in Exile

- Why did the “boundary marker” laws of diet, calendar, and laws of Moses become the focal point for the exiles?
- Tobit of the Northern Kingdom goes to Jerusalem to worship. What does this tell us about him?
- Tobit is exiled to Nineveh. Where else do we hear about Nineveh?
- The Ten Lost Tribes are also known as...?

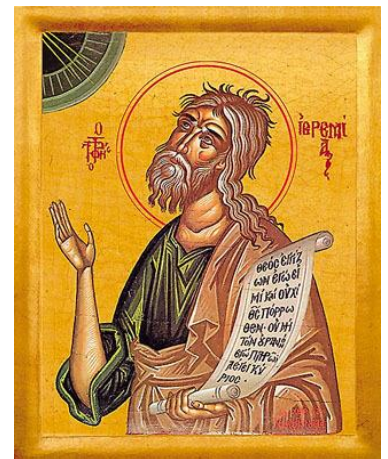


Act Two: The Southern Kingdom in Exile

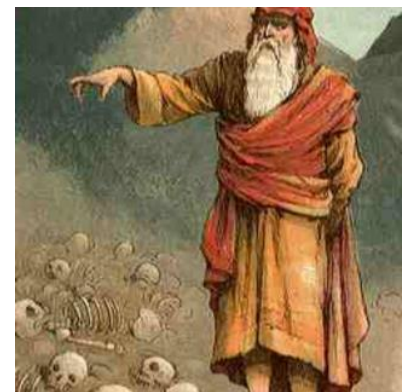
- Why do we call God's Chosen People "Jews" rather than "Hebrews" or "Israelites"?
- Who are the prophets of the Southern Kingdom at this time?
- How does the prophet Daniel exemplify the plight of the Southern Kingdom in exile?
- How is Babylon a new Egypt?
- Does Daniel foretell Jesus?
- What does Ezekiel prophesy? How does Ezekiel prophesy?
- Do the Jews listen to the prophet Jeremiah? What happens?



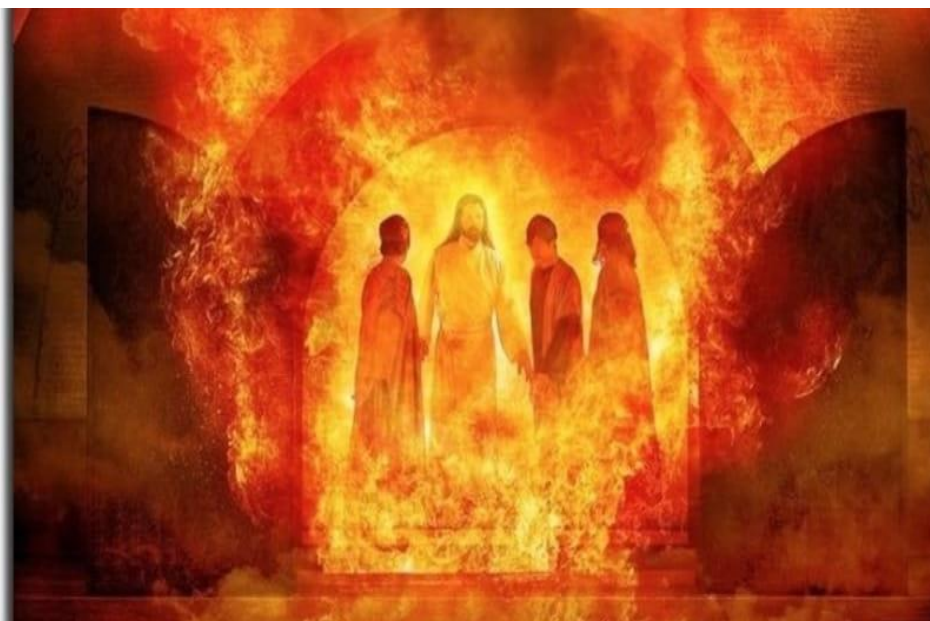
Prophet Daniel in Babylon



Prophet Jeremiah in Jerusalem



Prophet Ezekiel in Babylon



Three Men in Nebuchadnezzar's Furnace in Babylon

Remember, Shadrach, Meshasch, and Abednego. God didn't put out the fire. He just put Jesus in there with them and they came out without smoke. It's not about God stopping all the things that look bad; it's about who is in there with you.