**Jeremiah 37-38**

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**Lesson 21**

**Text:** Jeremiah 37-38

**Questions:**

1. Try to put the first 2 verses of chapter 37 into your own words. Who are the people mentioned, what roles are they playing and what is the unfortunate truth about them?
2. What event from Judah’s history did this “end” to the siege likely bring to mind? (Hint: II Kings 18:17-19:37)
3. What message is Jeremiah sent to deliver to Zedekiah?
4. In responding to King Zedekiah, Jeremiah calls as a “witness” in his favor a certain fact. What is this?
5. What seems odd to you about Jeremiah’s rescuer?
6. Comment on Jeremiah’s response in 38:15 — isn’t he being somewhat brazen before the king?
7. In Jeremiah’s response to King Zedekiah (38:17-23), what two actions can Zedekiah take and what are the results of each of these actions?
8. Based on 38:19 and 38:24-26, what seems to motivate Zedekiah’s refusal to follow Jeremiah’s God-given advice?
9. Consider 38:24-27. Is it OK to lie to save yourself?