



JOURNAL PAGE

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 15 • Session 4

## JUDAH WAS TAKEN CAPTIVE

2 Chronicles 36

**WHAT IS GOD LIKE?  
GOD IS HOLY, GOOD, AND LOVING.**

Even though the people of Judah continued to sin, God sent prophets to warn and encourage them. But God's people did not listen. Josiah was the last good king of Judah. His son, Jehoahaz (jih HOH uh haz), was only king for three months before God allowed the king of Egypt to take him away. The king of Egypt made Jehoahaz's brother, Jehoiakim ( jih HOY uh kim), king over Judah.

Jehoiakim did evil in the sight of God. So, God allowed King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon to attack him and take him to Babylon.

Jehoiakim's son, Jehoiachin (jih HOY uh kin), became king in his place. He did evil in the sight of God. Nebuchadnezzar sent for him and brought him to Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar made Zedekiah (zed uh KIGH uh), Jehoiachin's brother, king over Judah.

Zedekiah also did what was evil in the sight of God. Under Zedekiah's leadership, the people became more and more sinful like the other nations.

Because the people continued to sin and rebelled against God, God allowed the Babylonians to destroy the nation of Judah. Their army attacked and conquered them. King Nebuchadnezzar took the people who survived the attack to Babylon to be servants. Jeremiah had warned God's people about this, and now his words had come true. God said the people would be captives in Babylon for 70 years.

**Christ Connection:** The people of Judah continued to sin and were destroyed by Babylon. Even though God was patient, all sin deserves judgment. God's patience is meant to lead us to repentance. Those who repent and trust in Jesus will escape God's judgment.



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### Add It Up

Use the math equations to help you figure out how many years the people of Judah were in exile.

 $+$  $= 10$

 $+$  $= 30$

 $+$  $= 100$

 $+$  $+$  $= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{ years}$

**Order the Events** | Number the events in the correct order 1–7.  
Use the Bible story on the other side if you need help.

- \_\_\_\_\_ King Nebuchadnezzar took the people to Babylon to be his servants.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Zedekiah became king and dishonored the Lord's temple.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The king of Egypt took Jehoahaz away and made Jehoiakim king over Judah.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Josiah was the last good king of Judah.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jehoiachin became king and did evil in the sight of the Lord.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Babylon attacked Judah and destroyed Jerusalem.
- \_\_\_\_\_ King Nebuchadnezzar took Jehoiakim away to Babylon.

