



Luke 19:41-44

REACHING OUR CITIES FOR CHRIST



In
Judgment

Weep for the Lost

Identification

Can you imagine Jesus weeping? The righteous One, the Perfect One, was weeping over the city that would reject Him, The Prophet, in just one week's time. Let's see what it was He wept over.

3 Steps Down

1) If they had known what things would make for peace.

2) But these things were hidden from them.

3) As a result a severe judgment was waiting for them at the door.

"... Because you did not recognize the time of your visitation."

- "For the days shall come upon you when your enemies will throw up a bank before you, and surround you, and hem you in on every side, and

- will level you to the ground and your children within you, and

- they will not leave in you one stone upon another."

- The Romans around 70 AD came and surrounded the city until severe hunger struck the people.

- After the siege, building after building was destroyed and the many people still left inside.

- The temple was taken apart brick by brick to get the gold in between them.

The prophecy regarding the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple was meant to be a divine testimony proving that Jesus was sent from God. Who would have thought the destruction of Jerusalem possible when the beautiful temple gleamed so wonderfully at sundown?!

Jesus' weeping for the city is proof of His genuine love for the people and the city. We often don't get to this point. We stand aloof condemning but rarely side with her weeping. When we cry for another, we identify with that one. This enables us to intercede on behalf of a person or city.