

# **“The Fall of the Empire” - Part 2**

## **A Walk Through the Old Testament - Class 19**

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**Purpose:** Biblical history does not occur in a vacuum. Israel affected and was affected by other nations. Therefore, this class will look at the international scene which gave rise to the destruction of Jerusalem and the deportation of God’s people.

**Next Week’s Assignment:** Jeremiah 29, Nehemiah, Ezra

### I. Introduction

### II. The International Scene

1. Babylon Rebels Against Assyria
2. More Trouble than Babylon
3. New Horizons: Egypt

### III. The Prophet Nahum

### IV. More Assyria

1. Egypt Slips
2. Brotherly Trouble
3. Trade Routes Cut

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### V. Josiah Rules in Judah

1. Josiah’s history
2. Josiah and Reform

### VI. Jeremiah

### VII. Zephaniah

### VIII. The International Scene

### IX. Habakkuk

### X. The Fall of Jerusalem

1. Josiah’s Son
2. Zedekiah’s Rebellion