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Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Praying Through Jeremiah 1:6–10; 26:8–9, 12–15

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for calling young people such as Jeremiah to serve You and speak in Your Name. Jeremiah's life and prophetic words show us how young people can grow in their knowledge of and faith in You as work in them and lead them as they serve and speak for You. Thank You for calling people of all ages and backgrounds into Your service whether fulltime or parttime as they follow Jesus Christ fulltime. We remember that You called Abram to serve You when he was 75 years old, and by faith he became Father Abraham to Your children. You call a variety of people of all ages and from all places to reach a variety of people and all ages. Through their sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, we pray that many might come to Him as their Lord and Savior and learn from Him. We thank You, Father, for calling and inspiring Jeremiah to serve You faithfully all his life despite opposition and persecution by religious leaders, prophets, and people when he spoke the words You put in his mouth. He is an example for us. Thank You for giving him Your words to preach and thank You for giving us the words of Jesus, Your only begotten Son, to preach. Thank You for showing us in the lives of Jeremiah and Jesus Christ the possible consequences of teaching the truth in love and how their faith in You and Your words sustained them as Your Holy Spirit worked in and through them. Help us serve You in faithfulness without fear of the possible consequences. We pray that as we study the Bible and try to live visibly as Christians that Your Holy Spirit would give us a greater understanding of how to live according to Your Word written. We pray that Your Spirit would not only write Your words in our minds with a right understanding but also write them on our hearts and empower us to follow Jesus and obey all His commands in ways that show our love for God: the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit, and for all God's children. As you led Jeremiah, please lead us to where You would have us go, to see the people You would have us see, to speak the truths that You would have them hear that they might trust in You. And please lead the people of Your choice to us and show us how we can best share the truths they need to hear. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.