CARE This Week...

November 9, 2025



This week's lesson is about 2 Kings 25; Jeremiah 38:1-13

King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon invaded Judah and began a siege of Jerusalem in December 589 BC. Jeremiah warned that those remaining in Jerusalem would die by sword, starvation, or disease, but anyone surrendering to the Babylonians would live. The city of Jerusalem would surely be captured by the king of Babylon. As a result, Jeremiah was put in prison. Four of the top officials who had always opposed the prophet, Shephatiah Gedaliah, Jucal and Pashhur wanted him killed. So they got the permission of King Zedekiah to deal with Jeremiah as they wanted. They took Jeremiah from his cell and lowered him by ropes into an empty cistern in the prison yard. There was no water in it, but there was a thick layer of mire at the bottom, and Jeremiah sank down into it. When Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, an important palace official, heard that Jeremiah was in the cistern, he rushed out to the Gate of Benjamin where the king Zedekiah was holding court. He told the king, 'These men have done a very evil thing in putting Jeremiah into the cistern. He will die of hunger, for almost all the bread in the city is gone.'

Zedekiah relented and commanded Ebed-melech to take thirty men and pull Jeremiah out before he died. Ebed-melech called down to Jeremiah, 'Use these rags under your armpits to protect you from the ropes.' Jeremiah was pulled out and returned to the palace prison. God told Jeremiah that Ebed-melech would be delivered when the city finally fell.

Jeremiah was treated unfairly for telling people what God said. Ebed-Melech did not think this was right, so he helped Jeremiah. Our Bible verse for today reminds us to reach out and help those who are treated unfairly...

Bible Verse: Never walk away from someone who deserves help.

Proverbs 3:27 (MSG)

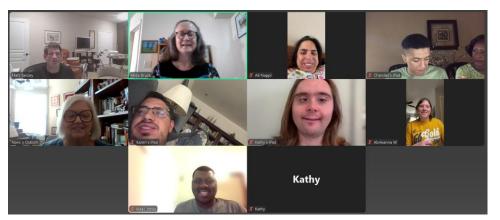
Life Application: I will help people who are treated unfairly.

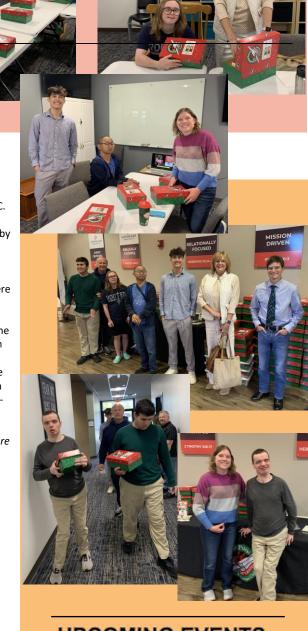
CARE Class packed 12 boxes for the Samaritan Purse shoebox drive and delivered them after Sunday's class. See pictures this page....

CARE had a FABULOUS Game Night last Saturday! See pictures next page....

SATURDAY ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

Our wonderful 'Zoomers' had a great Bible study this past Saturday. Our lesson was over 'Jeremiah In the Well.'





UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, November 23

9:00 to 9:30 AM, and 10:30 to 11:00 AM

FRIDAY, Dec. 5

CARE Christmas Party
6:00 – 8:00 PM

