

## **THE CRY OF LAMENT**

Lamentations 1:1 (ESV)- How lonely sits the city that was full of people! How like a widow has she become, she who was great among the nations! She who was a princess among the provinces has become a slave.

Genesis 1:31 (ESV)- And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.

## **THE CAUSE OF LAMENT**

Lamentations 1:5 (ESV)- Her foes have become the head; her enemies prosper, because the Lord has afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions;

Lamentations 1:8 (ESV)- Jerusalem sinned grievously; therefore she became filthy;

Lamentations 1:18 (ESV)- The Lord is in the right, for I have rebelled against his word

## **THE CALL FOR MERCY**

Lamentations 1:9 (ESV)- "O Lord, behold my affliction, for the enemy has triumphed!"

Lamentations 1:11 (ESV)- "Look, O Lord, and see, for I am despised."

Lamentations 1:20-22 (ESV)- "Look, O Lord, for I am in distress; my stomach churns; my heart is wrung within me, because I have been very rebellious. In the street the sword bereaves; in the house it is like death. They heard my groaning, yet there is no one to comfort me."

Luke 19:41-42 (ESV)- And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes."

Colossians 2:14-15 (ESV)- by cancelled the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Revelation 21:4 (ESV)- He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."