

## QUESTIONS

1. What mistake on the part of a well-meaning governor kept the remnant of poor people and fugitive soldiers from prospering after the Babylonian conquest?
2. What (other than fear of the Babylonians) led the people to ignore God and His prophet, Jeremiah?
3. Why do people swear oaths that they don't really intend to keep?
4. Why are some people willing to attribute their misfortune to God's indifference or powerlessness rather than to their own sins?
5. When have you felt discouraged because of how long you have endured hardship in doing the right thing?