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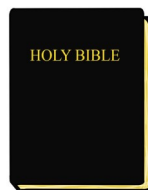
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Puzzle Page Level 4

Jeremiah and 2 baskets of figs



Jeremiah 24

Jeremiah 29

God divides people into 2 groups

At the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah, the new King of Judah, God gave Jeremiah a message about two baskets of figs which had been put down outside the temple: one with good figs in and one with bad figs in. Use Jeremiah ch 24 to fill in the gaps below...



Which figs represented those who were in captivity who would repent of their sins? v5-7

Why did God allow the 'good figs' to be taken into captivity? It was f__ t _____ g _____. v5

Sometimes God allows bad things to happen to His people because it is for their good.

While they were in captivity God says,

'They shall r_____ unto me with their w_____ heart.' v 7



Which figs represented those who would continue to reject God?v 8-10

Which King is described as being like the evil figs? Z _____ v 8

What 3 things would kill all those who were the 'bad figs' living in Jerusalem? v10

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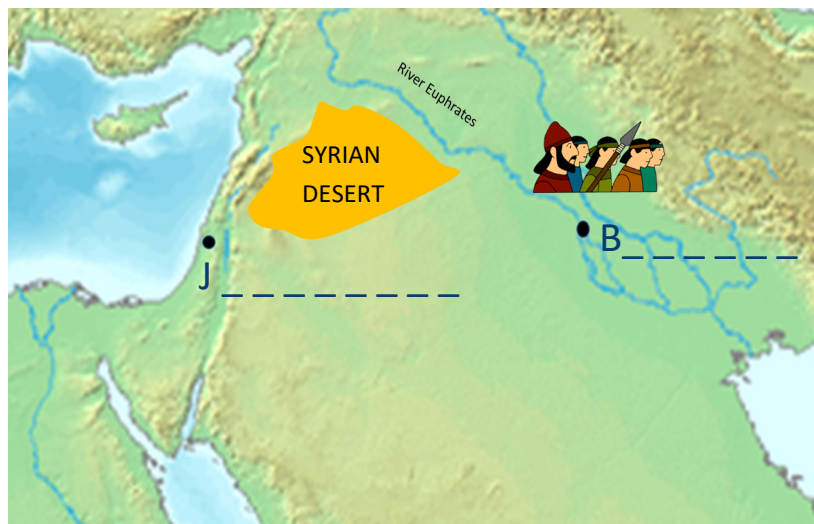
Jesus told a parable warning us that on Judgement Day everyone will be divided into two groups. Write out the verse which tells us what Jesus said He will do.

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.....(Matthew 25 v 32)

Which group will you be in? With those who have repented of their sins represented by the sheep or with those who have not repented of their sins represented by the goats. Will you be with God's people and go to heaven or with those who have rejected God and go to hell?

The 'good figs' represented God's people who had been taken as captives to Babylon.

Label Jerusalem and Babylon on the map. Draw a line where they were taken going North from Jerusalem and then following the River Euphrates to Babylon, avoiding the Syrian Desert!



FIRST DEPORTATION: After the battle of Carchemish, in 605BC, King Nebuchadnezzar had taken some of the good-looking, clever young men to be trained up in Babylon.

SECOND DEPORTATION: After the short siege in 598BC when Jehoiachin was King in Judah, King Nebuchadnezzar had taken back 10,000 Jews captive including the king & his mother.

Fill in the gaps in Jeremiah's letter in chapter 29 to the 'Good Figs'.

To the e _____, the p _____, the p _____
and to all the P _____ taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar v1,

I have caused you to be carried away from Jerusalem to B _____ as captives. v4 In Babylon you should build h _____; plant g _____; marry w _____ and have families. v5-6. You should p _____ for peace for the city of Babylon. v7 Don't listen to the false prophets who say you will go home soon. v8-9 The captivity will last s _____ years. v10 You will pray & seek me and I will be found of you and will bring you home again. v12-14

From J _____ the prophet v1

Underline the name of one man in captivity who was an exception.

He was not a good fig and did not seek God...

Daniel/Shemaiah/Ezekiel

Underline the name of one man who was not in captivity who was an

exception. He clearly was a 'good fig'...

Pashur/Zedekiah/Jeremiah

Write out what it says about God's thoughts towards the people in captivity who would seek Him with all their heart

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.....(Jeremiah 29 v 11)