

## International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

## Praying Through Jeremiah 7:1-11, 21-23

Dear Heavenly Father, You are the LORD of the universe and You reign over all today as You reigned over all in Jeremiah's day. On the one hand, our world and many people today do not trust rightly in You or obey You for they think similarly to the priests and people in Jeremiah's day. On the other hand, we thank You and praise You for raising up many preachers and people like Jeremiah who proclaim the teaching of Jesus and declare many truths about Him so many come to believe in Him. We thank You that many people, including religious leaders, are responding to and teaching Your true words in the Bible as taught by Jesus Christ and His committed followers. We thank You that many people of all ages are turning to Jesus Christ and receiving Him as He truly is, as their Lord and Savior. For Jesus is the only begotten Son of You, Holy Father, and He is the only One who lived a perfect life and died a perfect death according to the Bible as the Lamb of God and perfect sacrifice to take away our sins and the sins of the world. We thank You that Jesus Christ rose again and ascended into heaven where He now sits by You on Your throne. We thank You that You will not judge those who trust in Him from that throne, but from that throne You and Jesus will welcome into Paradise all who die trusting in Him as their Savior and Lord. Through Jesus Christ and His life and death for us, You have demonstrated both justice and mercy when forgiving us for our sins. You have given us grace upon grace. You have given us grace and truth and Your perfect written Word, the Bible. You have cleansed us from all sin and have filled us with Your Holy Spirit as our Guide and Comforter. Even more, You have given us the right and power to become children of God, children who believe in You and who have received Your Son into their lives to abide with them forever. Indeed, Jesus has proven to us that He is more than just our Friend, for You have adopted us into Your family as His brothers and sisters. You have given us the gift of eternal life, so we can dwell with You forever and live and rejoice and praise You with all those who love You, with all those who follow and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.