

## God's Message to Baruch

### Jeremiah 45

Group <sup>1</sup>	C	V	Description
Message to Baruch	45	1-5	Be content with what God will give you—your life wherever you go

Baruch the son of Neriah was Jeremiah's scribe who would write down his prophecies and then read them to the people. Below are the references to Baruch, all of which are found in the book of Jeremiah.

Jeremiah purchases the ancestral home of Baruch

**Jeremiah 32:12 NASB** and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, in the sight of Hanamel my uncle's *son* and in the sight of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, before all the Jews who were sitting in the court of the guard.

**Jeremiah 32:16 NASB** "After I had given the deed of purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, then I prayed to the LORD, saying,

His work as Jeremiah's scribe

**Jeremiah 36:4 NASB** Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah, and Baruch wrote on a scroll at the dictation of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD which He had spoken to him.

**Jeremiah 36:8 NASB** Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading from the book the words of the LORD in the LORD'S house.

**Jeremiah 36:14 NASB** Then all the officials sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, to Baruch, saying, "Take in your hand the scroll from which you have read to the people and come." So Baruch the son of Neriah took the scroll in his hand and went to them.

**Jeremiah 36:32 NASB** Then Jeremiah took another scroll and gave it to Baruch the son of Neriah, the scribe, and he wrote on it at the dictation of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire; and many similar words were added to them.

The accusation against Baruch and the deportation to Egypt at the hand of Johanan

**Jeremiah 43:3 NASB** but Baruch the son of Neriah is inciting you against us to give us over into the hand of the Chaldeans, so they will put us to death or exile us to Babylon."

**Jeremiah 43:6 NASB** the men, the women, the children, the king's daughters and every person that Nebuzaradan the captain of the bodyguard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam and grandson of Shaphan, together with Jeremiah the prophet and Baruch the son of Neriah—

God's message to Baruch through Jeremiah

**Jeremiah 45:1 NASB** *This is* the message which Jeremiah the prophet spoke to Baruch

1 (NASB) "Group" column from the headings in the NASB text.

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the son of Neriah, when he had written down these words in a book at Jeremiah's dictation, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, saying:

His family appears to have had some level of notoriety since it appears his brother, Seraiah, was the quartermaster for Zedekiah the king of Judah when he was taken captivity to Babylon, who is commissioned by Jeremiah to carry and read a scroll containing a prophecy about Babylon.

**Jeremiah 51:59 NASB** The message which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the grandson of Mahseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah to Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. (Now Seraiah was quartermaster.)

**Jeremiah 51:61 NASB** Then Jeremiah said to Seraiah, "As soon as you come to Babylon, then see that you read all these words aloud,

**Jeremiah 52:24 NASB** Then the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest and Zephaniah the second priest, with the three officers of the temple.

Because of his family's position, he might have been seeking a higher position in the king's service. But the message from the Lord was to remain with Jeremiah and be content with God's gift, his very life wherever he goes.

Jesus gave similar advice to His disciples regarding places of honor and pride.

**Luke 14:7-11 NASB** And He *began* speaking a parable to the invited guests when He noticed how they had been picking out the places of honor *at the table*, saying to them, **8** "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him, **9** and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give *your* place to this man,' and then in disgrace you proceed to occupy the last place. **10** "But when you are invited, go and recline at the last place, so that when the one who has invited you comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will have honor in the sight of all who are at the table with you. **11** "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

That is not to say that we shouldn't want to strive for things but we must also allow room for God to work in our lives and always have the goal in mind of giving Him the glory.

<b>Goal:</b> Give God the Glory!	
<b>Process:</b>	
→ Acknowledge that the Lord is in control	
→ Do your part	
→ Start where you are	Plan your work, then work your plan.
→ Use what you have	Leave room for God!
→ Do what you can	
→ Let the Lord be responsible for the results	
<b>Foundation:</b> Love God with everything you have available to you, Love others as much as you love yourself.	

Baruch is a great example for us to look to for how to live in sync with God's timing and purpose.

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