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The Theological Message of Jeremiah

“Dr. Goldingay has produced another interesting and thought-provoking book that helps us get to the heart of the meaning of the book of Jeremiah. While you may not agree with his understanding of how the book of Jeremiah came about, there are plenty of other good thoughts in the book to make it extremely valuable. One of the most helpful discussions is on Jeremiah as a prophet; his description of Jeremiah being vulnerable but protected has some very good insights. He also highlights that there is hope in the book of Jeremiah after the catastrophe is over—a very useful perspective when we are going through trials.”

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“John Goldingay is a once-in-a-generation scholar who writes with relevance, power, conviction, and clarity. *The Theology of Jeremiah* is a gift to all who wish to ponder what Jeremiah—a scroll forged in the furnace of suffering—has to say about the God who uproots and plants.”

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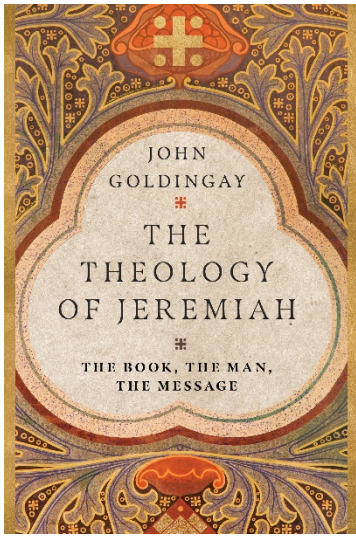
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“Goldingay’s scholarly, concise, and vibrant writing clarifies a path for students and general readers through the maelstrom of complaints, prophecies of doom, and tragic missteps in the book of Jeremiah, helping us to hear God speak in the trauma and confusion of our times.”

—**Jill Firth**, lecturer in Hebrew and Old Testament at Ridley College, Melbourne



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“This volume on the theology of Jeremiah reflects what I have always loved and respected about Dr. Goldingay’s writing—deep theological reflection expressed in an accessible and engaging way that makes reading theology like reading a good story. Goldingay’s straightforward development of the message of Jeremiah brings clarity and coherence to a part of Scripture characterized by many as hopelessly disordered, and he has done the church a great service in helping us to see and hear anew Jeremiah’s powerful message of judgment and hope.”

—**Gary Yates**, professor of Old Testament at Liberty University School of Divinity

“John Goldingay gives us a lucid, personable, and often witty introduction. Attentive to the book’s own context and message, *The Theology of Jeremiah* also engages interpretive challenges and explores the book’s message for a Christian audience. The volume does not overburden the reader with the guild’s technical discussions as it distills what is often an overwhelming book to its basics of structure, themes, and theologies. Goldingay has provided a terrific volume for beginning students or lay readers eager to make sense of Jeremiah.”

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New from Biblical Scholar John Goldingay

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His books include

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- *An Introduction to the Old Testament*
- *A Reader's Guide to the Bible*
- *Reading Jesus's Bible*
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Goldingay is a Church of England minister, and now that he is back in England likes walking by the Thames, rediscovering English food, worshipping in Christ Church Cathedral, and relearning British English.



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