

JEREMIAH'S HOPE

The first word Jeremiah mentions when he speaks of his hope is, "*It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed.*" (Lam 3: 22) Jeremiah had no hope in personal merit, only in God's mercies; no hope in his morality, only in God's mercies; no hope in his religious works, only in God's mercies. He had hope in none of those things because Jeremiah was a totally helpless sinner in need of God to do all the saving. Only those who know themselves to be helpless sinners need the LORD's mercies. Therefore, only helpless sinners have this hope, "*It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed.*" Is your hope Jeremiah's hope?