

Lamentations — Worksheet 1: Answer Key

Grief Over Jerusalem — marking guide

Use this to mark your own worksheet. For reflection questions, there is no single right answer — check that your response genuinely engages with the passage.

1. How does Lamentations 1:1 describe the city of Jerusalem?

'How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people! how is she become as a widow!'

2. What is Jerusalem doing according to Lamentations 1:2?

Weeping in the night, with tears on her cheeks, with none to comfort her.

3. What has happened to Judah, according to Lamentations 1:3?

Gone into captivity and affliction, finding no rest, pursued by her persecutors.

4. Why might a whole book of the Bible be devoted to grief and lament like this?

Accept answers noting Scripture makes space for honest sorrow, not only triumphant praise, modelling how to bring genuine grief before God.

5. Reflection: Is there a grief in your own life you've felt you needed to rush past rather than sit with honestly?

Open, personal reflection.