

Judah Will Fall  
Song of St. Jeremiah  
dedicated to my father, Howard M. Finn

Lyrics adapted by P. James Finn  
from Jeremiah 20-21

Judah, Judah will fall;  
plundered, in wrath destroyed.  
All its kings will be locked in chains.  
All their treasure carried off.

Judah, Judah will fall;  
terror on every side,  
Jerusalem will be set a fire,  
without mercy left in dust.

Thou seduced me.  
I let my self be seduced by thee, Lord.

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Whispers, whisperings;  
laughter and mockery.  
Outrage and violence I proclaim.  
I hear renounce, denounce him.

Those who once were friends watch for my misstep;  
they will take their revenge.

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Lord of Hosts, be with me,  
a mighty champion.  
My accuser will fail  
in fear, confusion, and shame.

Lord of Hosts, be with me,  
who sees the mind and heart.  
Sing a song to the Lord;  
Give praise. He rescued the poor.

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I say I will not speak;  
thy fire burns in my heart, locked,  
imprisoned within my bones.  
I grow weary holding back.

O, Lord, my God, Thou will test the just.  
I am in thy hands, Lord.

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Lord,  
to thee,  
I entrust my cause,  
my God.