

The Lack of Chronological Arrangement

Unlike **Ezekiel**, whose prophecies are arranged in chronological order, **Jeremiah** has no chronological progression. In fact, many of **Yirmeyahu's** prophecies that are placed together are actually years apart. **He** compiled **his** prophecies in stages. For example, many of **Jeremiah's** prophecies against the *Gentile* nations were written early in **his** ministry (**25:1, 13-14**). Yet the content of these prophecies is recorded near the end of the book (**46:1 to 49:33**). One must look for some other way to arrange the book so the reader is not jumping around trying to make sense of it all. Accordingly, I have taken a historical approach to the organization of the book:

Josiah Ruled For 31 Years from 640 to 609 BC

Jehoahaz Ruled For 3 Months in 609 BC

Jehoiakim Ruled For 11 Years from 609 to 598 BC

Jehoiachin Ruled For 3 Months in 598 BC

Zedekiah Ruled For 11 Years from 597 to 586 BC

Gedaliah Ruled For 3 Months in 586 BC

ADONAI was in control the whole way!