Questions on Jeremiah Chapter 9

1. Verse 1 continues the thought of 8:21-22. What was the cause of Jeremiah's sadness and weeping?

    a. For what other reason would Jeremiah "weep and wail" according to verse 10?

2. What did Jeremiah wish he could do according to verse 2, and why?

3. What sins of the people are mentioned in verses 2-6 and 13-14?

    a. In what way were the people of Judah deceitful according to verse 8?

4. As we saw in the last verses of chapter 6, what analogy or process is used in verse 7 of this chapter to describe what God would do to His people?

5. As we saw in 5:9 & 29, what did God say in verse 9 that He was compelled by His own divine nature to do to His sinning people?

6. What would God's actions turn Jerusalem into? (11)

7. What observation does Jeremiah make about human wisdom and reasoning in verse 12?

8. What sound would be heard in Zion? (19) (Note that verses 17-22 constitute a *funeral* passage.)

a. What was the purpose of the “mourning” or “wailing women” of verses 17-18?

b. What were the women to teach their daughters? (20)

c. What kind of burial would the people receive? (22)

9. What boasts were *wrong* according to verse 23?

a. What boast was acceptable according to verse 24? (note that the “boast” was based not upon human ability but upon divine qualities)

10. As we began seeing in Jeremiah 4:4, and as is addressed in Deuteronomy 10:16 and Romans 2:28-29, there are different types of “circumcision.” What type of circumcision was *unacceptable* according to verse 25?

a. What two types of “uncircumcision” are discussed in verse 26?

b. Was there any difference between these two types of “uncircumcision” with regard to their sinfulness and consequences? (25-26)