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1. What did God command Jeremiah to do in v. 2? What was the content of the scroll and God's intended purpose for writing it down in v.3? See also v.29.
2. What was the reaction of the Jewish officials in v.16 when they heard the contents of the scroll?
3. What was Jehoiakim's reaction in v.23 to the contents of the scroll? What does v.24 reveal about their heart disposition in contrast to the officials in v.16?
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5. Consider our text in Deuteronomy 4 v. 2 in the light of Jeremiah 36. What parallels are there between the two passages? What danger is there in being selective about what part we listen to and what parts we ignore because we don't like? Is there a similarity to Jehoiakim's sin and people who ignore parts of scripture because they don't like it?

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6. What was the sin of Israel at Baal—Peor? See Numbers 25:1-9 What is the point of remembering that story here? See v.4
7. What effect was Israel's obedience to the Torah to have on the nations around them according to vv.6-8?
8. How was Israel's possession of the Law so different than the nations around them?
9. What are some advantages to the Law today? See Romans 4:15 See 2 Tim. 3:15
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