

## **JEREMIAH 20:10-13**

Jeremiah said: "I hear the whisperings of many: 'Terror on every side! Denounce! let us denounce him!'

All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine.

'Perhaps he will be trapped; then we can prevail, and take our vengeance on him.'

But the LORD is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph.

In their failure they will be put to utter shame, to lasting, unforgettable confusion.

O LORD of hosts, you who test the just, who probe mind and heart, let me witness the vengeance you take on them, for to you I have entrusted my cause.

Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!"