# CB09-5 KJV Exile to Babylon

# Jehoiakim (Eliakim), wicked king of Judah Older brother of Jehoahaz (Joahaz), wicked king of Judah

#### Brief summary of Jehoiakim's life

- 2Ki 23:36 **Jehoiakim** was twenty and five years old when he began to reign;
- and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.
- And his mother's name was **Zebudah**, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.

Note: Zebidah [Zebudah] was a wife of righteous king Josiah.

2Ki 23:37 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

- 2Ch 36:5 **Jehoiakim** was twenty and five years old when he began to reign,
- and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem:

and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God.

The people of the cities of Judah discuss whether or not to put Jeremiah to death Jer 26:1

In the beginning of the reign of **Jehoiakim** the son of **Josiah king of Judah** 

came this word from the LORD, saying,

#### Jer 26:2

Thus saith the LORD;

Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:

Jer 26:3 If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way,

that I may repent me of the evil [calamity], which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.

#### Jer 26:4

And thou shalt say unto them,

#### Thus saith the LORD;

If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,

Jer 26:5 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets,

whom I have been sending to you again and again, but you have not listened; (NASV)

whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending *them*, but ye have not hearkened; (KJV)

Jer 26:6 **Then** will I make **this house** like **Shiloh**, and will make **this city** a curse to all the nations of the earth.

Jer 26:7 So the **priests** and the **prophets** and all the people

heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.

Jer 26:8 Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking

all that the LORD had commanded him to speak unto all the people,

that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying,

#### Thou shalt surely die.

Jer 26:9 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying,

This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant?

And all the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

Jer 26:10 When the princes of Judah heard these things,

then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD,

and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD'S house.

Jer 26:11

Then spake the **priests** and the **prophets** unto **the princes** and to all the people, saying,

This man is worthy to die;

for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.

Jer 26:12

Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying,

The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city

all the words that ye have heard.

Jer 26:13 Therefore now amend your ways and your doings,

and obey the voice of the LORD your God;

and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.

Jer 26:14 As for me, behold, I am in your hand:

do with me as seemeth good and meet unto you.

Jer 26:15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death,

ye shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof:

for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.

#### Jer 26:16

Then said the **princes** and all the people unto the **priests** and to the **prophets**;

This man is not worthy to die:

for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.

Jer 26:17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land,

and spake to all the assembly of the people, saying,

# Jer 26:18 **Micah** the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts;

**Zion** shall be plowed *like* a field, and **Jerusalem** shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.

# Jer 26:19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death?

did he not fear the LORD, and besought the LORD,

and the LORD repented him of [changed his mind about] the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.

Jer 26:20 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD,

# Urijah [Uriah] the son of Shemaiah of Kirjathjearim,

who prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah:

# King Jehoiakim murders Uriah, Ahikam protects Jeremiah

Jer 26:21 And when **Jehoiakim the king**, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, **the king sought to put him to death:** 

but when Urijah [Uriah] heard it, he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt;

Jer 26:22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely,

Elnathan the son of Achbor, and *certain* men with him into Egypt.

Jer 26:23 And they fetched forth Urijah [Uriah] out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword,

and cast his dead body into the graves of the common people.

Jer 26:24 Nevertheless the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

#### Jer 11:1

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Jer 11:2 Hear ye the words of this covenant,

and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

Jer 11:3 And say thou unto them,

Thus saith the LORD GOD of Israel;

Cursed be the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant,

Jer 11:4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them forth out of **the land of Egypt**, from the iron furnace, saying,

Obey my voice,

and do them, according to all which I command you:

- so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God: Jer 11:5
- That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers,
  - o to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as it is this day.

Then answered I, and said, So be it, O LORD.

Jer 11:6

## Then the LORD said unto me,

Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying,

#### Hear ye the words of this covenant, and do them.

Jer 11:7 For I earnestly protested unto your fathers

in the day that I brought them up out of the land of Egypt,

even unto this day,

rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.

Jer 11:8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear,

but walked every one in the imagination of their evil heart:

therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant (See Deuteronomy chapters 28-29)

which I commanded them to do; but they did them not.

Jer 11:13 For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods, O **Judah**;

and according to the number of the streets of **Jerusalem** have ye set up altars to that shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto **Baal**.

Jer 11:15 "What right has My beloved in My house

When she has done many vile deeds?

Can the sacrificial flesh take away from you your disaster, So *that* you can rejoice?" (NASV)

Jer 11:15 What hath my beloved to do in mine house, *seeing* she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee?

when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest. (KJV)

NASV is correct here

Jer 11:16 The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit:

with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

Jer 11:17 For the LORD of hosts, that planted thee,

hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.

#### And the LORD said unto me,

A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

Jer 11:10 They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers,

which refused to hear my words;

and they went after other gods to serve them:

the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers.

#### Jer 11:11 Therefore thus saith the LORD,

Behold, I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape;

and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them.

Jer 11:12 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem

go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they offer incense:

but they shall not save them at all in the time of their trouble.

Jer 11:14 Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them:

for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble.

# God to punish the men of Anathoth who seek to kill Jeremiah

Jer 11:18 And the LORD hath given me knowledge *of it,* and I know *it:* 

then thou shewedst [showed] me their doings.

Jer 11:19 But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter;

and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, saying,

Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof,

and let us cut him off from the land of the living,

that his name may be no more remembered.

#### Jer 11:20 But, O LORD of hosts,

- that judgest righteously,
- that triest the reins and the heart,

let me see thy vengeance on them:

for unto thee have I revealed my cause.

#### Jer 11:21 **Therefore** thus saith the LORD

of the men of **Anathoth**, that seek thy life, saying,

Prophesy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:

Jer 11:22

Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts,

Behold, I will punish them:

- the young men shall die by the sword;
- their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:
- Jer 11:23 And there shall be no remnant of them:

for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation [punishment].

Note: Anathoth is in the territory/tribe of Benjamin 3 miles north of Jerusalem, Jeremiah's home town. (Jer 29:27)

# Jeremiah laments to God - Why do the wicked prosper?

#### Jer 12:1 Righteous art thou, O LORD,

when I plead with thee:

yet let me talk with thee of thy judgments:

#### Wherefore [why] doth the way of the wicked prosper?

- wherefore are all they happy that deal very treacherously?
- Jer 12:2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root:
- they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit:
- thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins [minds].

Jer 12:3 But thou, O LORD, knowest me: thou hast seen me,

and tried mine heart toward thee:

pull them out like sheep for the slaughter,

and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

Jer 12:4a How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds;

#### God's Answer to Jeremiah

Jer 12:4b because they said, He shall not see our last end.

Jer 12:5 If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee,

then how canst thou contend with horses?

and if in the land of peace, wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee,

then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?

Jer 12:6 For even **thy brethren**, **and the house of thy father**, even they have dealt treacherously with thee; yea, they have called a multitude after thee:

believe them not, though they speak fair words unto thee.

#### Jer 12:7 I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage [inheritance];

I have given the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies. (note: Babylon/Nebuchadnezzar)

Jer 12:8 Mine heritage [inheritance] is unto me as a lion in the forest;

it crieth out against me:

therefore have I hated it.

#### Jer 12:9 Mine heritage is unto me as a speckled bird,

the birds round about are against her;

come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field,

come to devour.

#### Jer 12:10 Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard,

they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

Jer 12:11 They have made it desolate,

and being desolate it mourneth unto me;

the whole land is made desolate, **because** no man layeth it to heart.

#### Jer 12:12 The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness:

for the sword of **the LORD** shall devour from the *one* end of the land even to the *other* end of the land: no flesh shall have peace.

Jer 12:13 They have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns:

they have put themselves to pain, but shall not profit:

and they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

Jer 12:14

Thus saith the LORD

against all mine evil neighbours,

that touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit;

Behold, I will pluck them out of their land,

and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

Jer 12:15 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out

I will return, and have compassion on them,

and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.

Jer 12:16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people,

to swear by my name, The LORD liveth;

as they taught my people to swear by **Baal**;

then shall they be built in the midst of my people.

Jer 12:17 But if they will not obey,

I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation,

saith the LORD.

# The worthless waistband analogy

#### Jer 13:1

Thus saith the LORD unto me,

Go and get thee a linen girdle,

and put it upon thy loins [waist], and put it not in water

Jer 13:2 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put it on my loins.

Jer 13:3

And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

Jer 13:4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which is upon thy loins, and arise,

go to **Euphrates**, and hide it there in a hole of the rock.

Jer 13:5 So I went, and hid it by **Euphrates**, as the LORD commanded me. Jer 13:6

And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me,

Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.

Jer 13:7 Then I went to **Euphrates**, and digged,

and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it:

and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing.

Then The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Jer 13:9 Thus saith the LORD,

After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem. Jer 13:10

This evil people,

- which refuse to hear my words,
- which walk in the imagination of their heart,
- and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them,

shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.

Jer 13:11 For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man,

so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD;

that they might be unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory:

but they would not hear.

#### The wine of God's wrath

Jer 13:12 Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word;

Thus saith the LORD GOD of Israel,

Every bottle shall be filled with wine:

and they shall say unto thee,

Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine?

Jer 13:13 Then shalt thou say unto them,

#### Thus saith the LORD,

Behold, I will fill

- all the inhabitants of this land,
- even the **kings** that sit upon **David's** throne,
- and the **priests**, and the **prophets**, and all the inhabitants of **Jerusalem**,

with drunkenness.

Jer 13:14 And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD:

I will not pity,

nor spare,

nor have mercy,

but destroy them.

Jer 13:15 Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud:

for the LORD hath spoken.

Jer 13:16 Give glory to the LORD your God,

before he cause darkness,

and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains,

and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, and make it gross darkness.

Jer 13:17 But if ye will not hear it,

my soul shall weep in secret places for your pride;

and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears,

because the LORD'S flock is carried away captive.

#### Jer 13:18

# Say unto the king and to the queen, [queen mother - NASV] (note: Jehoiakim and his mother Zebudah)

Humble yourselves, sit down:

for your principalities shall come down, even the crown of your glory.

Jer 13:19 The cities of the south shall be shut up,

and none shall open them:

Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

Jer 13:20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north:

where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?

Jer 13:21 What wilt thou say when he shall punish thee?

for thou hast taught them to be captains, and as chief over thee:

shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?

Jer 13:22 And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me?

For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare.

Jer 13:23 Can the **Ethiopian** change his skin, or the leopard his spots?

then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.

Jer 13:24 **Therefore** will I scatter them as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the wilderness.

Jer 13:25 This is thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD;

because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

Jer 13:26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

Jer 13:27 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings,

the lewdness of thy whoredom, *and* thine abominations on the hills in the fields.

Woe to you, O Jerusalem! How long will you	Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be
remain unclean?" (NASV)	made clean? when shall it once be? (KJV)

#### Jer 14:1

# The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the dearth [drought].

Jer 14:2 **Judah** mourneth, and the gates thereof languish;

they are black unto the ground;

and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.

Jer 14:3 And their nobles have sent their little ones to the waters:

they came to the pits, and found no water;

they returned with their vessels empty;

they were ashamed and confounded, and covered their heads.

Jer 14:4 Because the ground is chapt [cracked], for there was no rain in the earth,

the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

Jer 14:5 Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook it [her young], because there was no grass.

Jer 14:6 And the wild asses did stand in the high places,

they snuffed up the wind like dragons;

their eyes did fail, because there was no grass.

#### Jeremiah Intercedes

Jer 14:7 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou *it* for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.

Jer 14:8 O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* turneth aside to tarry for a night?

Jer 14:9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man *that* cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, *art* in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; leave us not.

#### God replies to Jeremiah

Jer 14:10 Thus saith the LORD unto this people,
Thus have they loved to wander,
they have not refrained their feet,

therefore the LORD doth not accept them;
he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.

Jer 14:11 Then said the LORD unto me,
Pray not for this people for their good.

Jer 14:12 When they fast, I will not hear their cry;
and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them:

# False Prophets to get punished by Sword and Famine

#### Jeremiah Intercedes

Jer 14:13 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, the prophets say unto them.

Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place.

but I will consume them by the **sword**, and by the **famine**, and by the **pestilence**.

#### Jer 14:14 Then the LORD said unto me,

The prophets prophesy lies in my name:

I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them:

they prophesy unto you

- a false vision
- and divination,
- and a thing of nought,
- and the deceit of their heart.

Jer 14:15 Therefore thus saith the LORD

concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.

Jer 14:16 And the people to whom they prophesy

shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword;

and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.

#### Jer 14:17a

Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them;

Jer 23:1 Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD.

Jer 23:2 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD of Israel against the pastors that feed my people;

Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

Jer 23:3 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them,

and will bring them again to their folds:

and they shall be fruitful and increase.

Jer 23:4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them:

and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed,

neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.

Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD,

that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch,

and a King shall reign

and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

Jer 23:6 In his days Judah shall be saved,

and Israel shall dwell safely:

and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Jer 23:7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD,

that they shall no more say,

- The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; Jer 23:8 But,
  - The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them;

and they shall dwell in their own land.

Jer 14:17 b 'Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow. Jer 14:18 If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a land that they know not.

Jer 23:9 Mine heart within me is broken because of **the prophets**;

all my bones shake;

I am like a drunken man.

and like a man whom wine hath overcome,

because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness.

Jer 23:10 For the land is full of adulterers;

for because of swearing the land mourneth;

the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up,

and their course is evil, and their force is not right.

Jer 23:11 For both prophet and priest are profane;

yea, in my house have I found their wickedness, saith the LORD.

Jer 23:12 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness:

they shall be driven on, and fall therein:

for I will bring evil upon them,

even the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

#### Jer 23:13 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria;

they prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err.

Jer 23:14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing:

they commit adultery,

and walk in lies:

they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

#### Jer 23:15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets;

Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall:

for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

#### Jer 23:16 Thus saith the LORD of hosts,

Hearken not unto the words of **the prophets** that prophesy unto you:

they make you vain:

they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD.

Jer 23:17 They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.

Jer 23:18 For who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word?

who hath marked his word, and heard it?

Jer 23:19 Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.

Jer 23:20 The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed,

and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart:

in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.

Jer 23:21 I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran:

I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

Jer 23:22 But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, hen they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

Jer 23:23 Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

Jer 23:24 Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD.

Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

Jer 23:25 I have heard what **the prophets** said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

Jer 23:26 How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies?

yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

Jer 23:27 Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour,

as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.

#### Jer 23:28 The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream;

and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully.

What *is* the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD. Jer 23:29 *Is* not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock in pieces?

Jer 23:30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD,

• that steal my words every one from his neighbour.

Jer 23:31 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD,

• that use their tongues, and say, He saith.

Jer 23:32 Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD,

- and do tell them,
- and cause my people to err by their lies,
- and by their lightness;

yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.

Jer 23:33 And when this people, or **the prophet**, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, What *is* the burden of the LORD? thou shalt then say unto them, What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the LORD.

Jer 23:34 And *as for* **the prophet**, and **the priest**, and the people, that shall say, The burden of the LORD, I will even punish that man and his house.

Jer 23:35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the LORD answered? and, What hath the LORD spoken? Jer 23:36 And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention no more: for every man's word shall be his burden; for ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our God.

Jer 23:37 Thus shalt thou say to **the prophet**,
What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken?
Jer 23:38 But since ye say, The burden of the LORD;
therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the LORD;

Jer 23:39 Therefore, behold, I, even I, will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, and cast you out of my presence:

Jer 23:40 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

# No amount of intercession by the most righteous can obtain mercy for such wicked people

#### Jeremiah Intercedes

Jer 14:19 Hast thou utterly rejected **Judah**? hath thy soul lothed **Zion**? why hast thou smitten us, and *there is* no healing for us? we looked for peace, and *there is* no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble!

Jer 14:20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, *and* the iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee.

Jer 14:21 Do not abhor *us*, for thy name's sake,

do not disgrace the throne of thy glory:

remember, break not thy covenant with us.

Jer 14:22 Are there *any* among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain?

or can the heavens give showers? *art* not thou he, O LORD our God?

therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these things.

#### God replies to Jeremiah

#### Jer 15:1

Then said the LORD unto me,

{Even} Though **Moses** and **Samuel** stood [were to stand] before me, *yet* my mind *could* not *be* toward this people: cast *them* out of my sight, and let them go forth.

Jer 15:2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee,

Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt tell them,

#### Thus saith the LORD;

- Such as are for death, to **death**;
- and such as *are* for the sword, to the **sword**;
- and such as are for the famine, to the **famine**;
- and such as *are* for the captivity, to the **captivity**.

#### Jer 15:3

And I will appoint over them **four kinds**, saith the LORD:

- the sword to slay,
- and the dogs to tear,
- and the fowls of the heaven,
- and the beasts of the earth,

to devour and destroy.

Jer 15:4 And I will cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth,

because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for that which he did in Jerusalem.

Jer 15:5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O **Jerusalem**? or who shall bemoan [mourn for] thee? or who shall go aside to ask how thou doest?

Jer 15:6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backward:

therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting [relenting]. Jer 15:7 And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave them of children, I will destroy my people, since they return not from their ways. Jer 15:8 Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them against the mother of the young men a spoiler at noonday: have caused *him* to fall upon it suddenly, and terrors upon the city. Jer 15:9 She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD. Jer 15:12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel? Jer 15:13 Thy substance and thy treasures will I give to the spoil without price, and that for all thy sins, even in all thy borders. Jer 15:14 And I will make thee to pass with thine enemies into a land which thou knowest not: for a fire is kindled in mine anger, which shall burn upon you.

#### Jeremiah complains back to God

Resume here

Jer 15:10 Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; yet every one of them doth curse me.

Jer 15:15 O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke.

Jer 15:16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

Jer 15:17 I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of thy hand: for thou hast filled me with indignation.

Jer 15:18 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed?

wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?

Jer 15:11

The LORD said,

"Surely I will set you free for *purposes of* good; (NASV)

Verily[surely] it shall be well with thy remnant; (KJV)

Verily I will cause the enemy to entreat thee *well* in the time of evil and in the time of affliction.

Jer 15:19

Therefore thus saith the LORD,

**If thou return**, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt stand before me:

and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth:

let them return unto thee;

but return not thou unto them.

Jer 15:20 And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brasen wall:

and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee:

for I am with thee to save thee and to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

Jer 15:21 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked,

and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

### Deadly diseases, sword, famine, birds, beasts, no burial, exiled, hunted down

#### Jer 16:1

The word of the LORD came also unto me, saying,

Jer 16:2 Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.

Jer 16:3 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place,

and concerning their mothers that bare them,

and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land;

Jer 16:4 They shall die of grievous deaths [deadly diseases];

they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried;

but they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth:

and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine;

and their carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

#### Jer 16:5 For thus saith the LORD,

Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them:

for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, *even* lovingkindness and mercies.

Jer 16:6 Both the great and the small shall die in this land:

they shall not be buried,

neither shall men lament for them,

nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:

Jer 16:7 "Neither will men break bread

- in mourning for them,
- to comfort anyone for the dead,
- nor give them a cup of consolation to drink for anyone's father or mother.

Jer 16:7 Neither shall *men* tear *themselves* for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead;

consolation to drink for their father or for their mother.

neither shall men give them the cup of

(KJV)

(NASV)

Jer 16:8 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

Jer 16:9 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place

in your eyes, and in your days,

the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness,

the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.

#### Jer 16:10

And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say unto thee,

Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great evil against us?

or what is our iniquity?

or what is our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?

#### Jer 16:11

#### Then shalt thou say unto them,

#### Because

- your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD,
- and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them,
- and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law;
- Jer 16:12 And ye have done worse than your fathers;

for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart,

that they may not hearken unto me:

Jer 16:13 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not,

*neither* ye nor your fathers;

and there shall ye serve other gods day and night;

where I will not shew you favour.

#### Jer 16:14 Therefore, behold,

the days come, saith the LORD,

that it shall no more be said,

The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; Jer 16:15

The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them:

and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

#### Jer 16:16 Behold,

I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD,

and they shall fish them;

and after will I send for many hunters,

and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill,

and out of the holes of the rocks.

Jer 16:17 For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face,

neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

Jer 16:18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double;

#### because

they have defiled my land,

they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.

#### Jeremiah fears for Israel and Judah's reputation

#### Jer 16:19 O LORD,

my strength, and my fortress,

and my refuge in the day of affliction,

the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say,

Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.

#### God replies to Jeremiah

Jer 16:20 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods?

Jer 16:21 Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know,

I will cause them to know mine hand and my might;

and they shall know that my name is The LORD.

#### Jeremiah to the people of Judah

## Jer 17:1 The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron,

and with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars;

Jer 17:2 As they remember their children,

So they *remember* their **altars** and their **Asherim** by green trees on the **high hills**. (NASV)

Jer 17:2 Whilst their children remember their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills. (KJV)

Jer 17:3 O my mountain in the field,

I will give thy substance and all thy treasures to the spoil,

and thy high places for sin, throughout all thy borders.

Jer 17:4 And thou, even thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have kindled a fire in mine anger, *which* shall burn for ever.

#### Jer 17:5 Thus saith the LORD;

#### Cursed be the man

- that trusteth in man,
- and maketh flesh his arm,
- and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

Jer 17:6 For he shall be like the heath [bush] in the desert,

and shall not see when good cometh;

but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness,

*in* a salt land and not inhabited.

Jer 17:7 **Blessed is the man** that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

Jer 17:8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and *that* spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh,

but her leaf shall be green;

and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

**Psa 1:1** Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Psa 1:2 But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Psa 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Psa 1:4 The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Psa 1:5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

Psa 1:6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Jer 17:9

#### The heart

- is deceitful above all things,
- and desperately wicked:

who can know it?

Jer 17:10

#### I the LORD

- search the heart,
- I try the reins [mind],

even to give every man

- according to his ways,
- and according to the fruit of his doings.

Jer 17:11 As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool.

#### Jeremiah laments to God

Jer 17:12 A glorious high throne from the beginning *is* the place of our sanctuary. Jer 17:13 O LORD, the hope of **Israel**, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed,

and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.

Jer 17:14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed;

save me, and I shall be saved:

for thou art my praise.

Jer 17:15

Behold, they say unto me,

Where is the word of the LORD? let it come now.

Jer 17:16 As for me, I have not hastened from being a pastor to follow thee:

neither have I desired the woeful day;

thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was right before thee.

Jer 17:17 Be not a terror unto me:

thou art my hope in the day of evil.

Jer 17:18 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded:

let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed:

bring upon them the day of evil,

and destroy them with double destruction.

# God replies telling Jeremiah to command all Judah to keep the sabbath

#### Jer 17:19 Thus said the LORD unto me;

Go and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby **the kings of Judah** come in, and by the which they go out, and in **all the gates of Jerusalem**; Jer 17:20 **And say unto them**,

Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates: Jer 17:21

Thus saith the LORD;

Take heed to yourselves,

and bear no burden on the sabbath day,

nor bring it in by the gates of **Jerusalem**;

Jer 17:22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on **the sabbath day**, neither do ye any work,

but hallow ye the sabbath day,

as I commanded your fathers.

Jer 17:23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

Jer 17:24 And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein;

Jer 17:25 Then shall there enter into the gates of this city

kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David,

riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes,

the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem:

and this city shall remain for ever.

Jer 17:26 And they shall come from **the cities of Judah**, and from the places about **Jerusalem**.

and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south,

bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and bringing sacrifices of praise, unto **the house of the LORD**.

Jer 17:27 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day;

then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof,

and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

# The rights of the potter

Jer 18:1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Jer 18:2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

Jer 18:3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

Jer 18:4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*.

Jer 18:5

Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

Jer 18:6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD.

Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

Jer 18:7 At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it;

Jer 18:8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them.

Jer 18:9 And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it;

Jer 18:10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

Jer 18:11 Now therefore go to, speak to the men of **Judah**, and to the inhabitants of **Jerusalem**, saying,

#### Thus says the LORD,

#### Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you:

return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good.

Jer 18:12 And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.

#### Jer 18:13

Therefore thus saith the LORD;

Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such things: **the virgin of Israel** hath done a very horrible thing.

Jer 18:14 'Does the snow of **Lebanon** forsake the rock of the open country? Or is the cold flowing water *from* a foreign *land* ever snatched away? (NASV)

Jer 18:14 Will *a man* leave the snow of **Lebanon** *which cometh* from the rock of the field?

or shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

Jer 18:15 Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways *from* the ancient paths, to walk in paths, *in* a way not cast up;
Jer 18:16 To make their land desolate, *and* a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

Jer 18:17 I will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy;

I will show them My back and not My	I will shew them the back, and not the
face In the day of their calamity."	face, in the day of their calamity.
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#### Jer 18:18

Then said they,

Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet.

Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words.

## Jeremiah asks the LORD to punish his persecutors

Jer 18:19 Give heed to me, O LORD,

and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me.

Jer 18:20 Shall evil be recompensed [repaid] for good? for they have digged a pit for my soul.

**Remember** that I stood before thee to speak good for them,

and to turn away thy wrath from them.

Jer 18:21 **Therefore** deliver up their children to the famine,

and pour out their *blood* by the force of the sword;

and let their wives be bereaved of their children, and be widows;

and let their men be put to death;

*let* their young men be slain by the sword in battle.

Jer 18:22 Let a cry be heard from their houses, when thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them:

for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet.

Jer 18:23 Yet, LORD, thou knowest all their counsel against me to slay me:

forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from thy sight,

but let them be overthrown before thee;

deal thus with them in the time of thine anger.

# Penalty for sacrificing children to Baal - A broken jar analogy

#### Jer 19:1

Thus saith the LORD,

Go and get a potter's earthen bottle,

and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests;

Jer 19:2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,

Jer 19:3 And say,

Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

#### Behold, I will bring evil upon this place,

the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.

Jer 19:4

#### **Because**

- they have forsaken me,
- and have estranged this place,
- and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah,
- and have filled this place with the blood of innocents;
- Jer 19:5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal,

which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:

Jer 19:6 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD,

that this place shall no more be called **Tophet**, nor **The valley of the son of Hinnom**, but **The valley of slaughter**.

Jer 19:7 And I will make void the counsel of **Judah** and **Jerusalem** in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies,

and by the hands of them that seek their lives:
and their carcases will I give
to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

Jer 19:8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing;
every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

Jer 19:9 And I will cause them to eat
the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters,
and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness [distress],
wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten [distress] them.

Jer 19:10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee, Jer 19:11 And shalt say unto them,

#### Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

Even so will I break this people and this city, as *one* breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury *them* in **Tophet**, till *there be* no place to bury.

Jer 19:12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and *even* make this city as **Tophet**:

Jer 19:13 And the houses of **Jerusalem**, and the houses of the **kings of Judah**,

Jer 19:13 And the houses of **Jerusalem**, and the houses of the **kings of Judah**, shall be defiled as the place of **Tophet**,

**because** of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto **all the host of heaven**, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.

# Prophecies against the sons of king Josiah: Jehoiakim, Shallum, Coniah/Jehoiachin/Jeconiah, kings of Judah

Jer 22:1 Thus saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word, Jer 22:2 And say,

Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:

#### Jer 22:3 Thus saith the LORD;

Execute ye judgment and righteousness,

- and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor:
- and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow,
- neither shed innocent blood in this place.

Jer 22:4 **For if ye do this thing** indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of **this house kings** sitting upon **the throne of David,** riding in chariots and on horses, **he**, and his servants, and his people.

Jer 22:5 **But if ye will not hear these words,** I swear by myself, saith the LORD, that this **house** shall become a desolation.

Jer 22:6 For thus saith the LORD unto the king's house of Judah;

Thou art Gilead unto me,

and the head [summit] of Lebanon:

yet surely I will make thee a wilderness, and cities which are not inhabited. Jer 22:7 And I will prepare **destroyers** against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down thy choice cedars, and cast them into the fire.

Jer 22:8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour, Wherefore [why] hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?

Jer 22:9 Then they shall answer,

Because they have forsaken **the covenant of** the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

Jer 22:10 Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan[mourn for] him: but weep sore for him that goeth away:

for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

#### Jer 22:11 For thus saith the LORD

touching [concerning] Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah,

which reigned instead of Josiah his father, (Note: 1Ch ron 3:15 And the sons of Josiah were, the firstborn Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum. Not the Shallum in Kings) which went forth out of this place;

He shall not return thither [there] any more:

Jer 22:12 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

Jer 22:13 Woe unto him

- that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong;
- that useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;
- Jer 22:14 That saith, I will build me a wide house and large chambers, and cutteth him out windows; and *it is* cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

Jer 22:15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself* in cedar?

did not thy father (note: Josiah) eat and drink, and do judgment and justice,

and then it was well with him?

Jer 22:16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well with him:

was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

Jer 22:17 But thine eyes and thine heart are not but

- for thy covetousness,
- and for to shed innocent blood,
- and for oppression, and for violence, to do it.

## Jer 22:18 Therefore thus saith the LORD

concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah;

They shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory! Jer 22:19 He shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

Jer 22:20 Go up to Lebanon,

and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan,

and cry from the passages [Abarim]:

for all thy lovers are destroyed.

Jer 22:21 I spake unto thee in thy prosperity;

but thou saidst, I will not hear.

This hath been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.

Jer 22:22 The wind shall eat up all thy pastors,

and thy lovers shall go into captivity:

surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.

Jer 22:23 O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars,

how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail!

Jer 22:24 As I live, saith the LORD,

though Coniah (Note: also called Jeconiah and Jehoiachin) the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah

were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;

Jer 22:25 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand *of them* whose face thou fearest,

even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

Jer 22:26 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into **another country**, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

Jer 22:27 But to **the land** whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return.

Jer 22:28 Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol?

is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure?

wherefore [why] are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

Jer 22:29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

Jer 22:30 Thus saith the LORD,

Write ye this man childless,

a man that shall not prosper in his days:

for no man of his seed shall prosper,

sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

# Pashur the priest has Jeremiah beaten for prophesying the entire calamity

Jer 19:14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet.

Whither [where] the LORD had sent him to prophesy;

and he stood in the court of the LORD'S house; and said to all the people,

Jer 19:15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns

all the evil that I have pronounced against it,

because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

Jer 20:1 Now Pashur the son of Immer the priest, who was also chief governor in the house of the LORD, heard that Jeremiah prophesied these things.

Jer 20:2 Then **Pashur** smote **Jeremiah** the prophet,

and put him in the stocks that were in the high gate of Benjamin, which was by the house of the LORD.

Jer 20:3 And it came to pass on the morrow [next day], that **Pashur** brought forth **Jeremiah** out of the stocks. Then said **Jeremiah** unto him,

The LORD hath not called thy name **Pashur**, but **Magormissabib**.

Jer 20:4 For thus saith the LORD,

Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy friends:

and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold it:

and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon,

and he shall carry them captive into Babylon,

and shall slay them with the sword.

Jer 20:5 Moreover I will deliver

- all the strength of this city,
- and all the labours thereof,
- and all the precious things thereof,
- and all the treasures of the kings of Judah

will I give into the hand of their enemies,

which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to **Babylon**.

Jer 20:6 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity:

and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die,

and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.

# Jeremiah laments his ever being born

Jer 20:7 O LORD, thou hast deceived me, and I was deceived: thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed:

#### I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.

Jer 20:8 For since I spake, I cried out,

I cried violence and spoil;

because the word of the LORD was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.

#### Jer 20:9 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name.

But *his word* was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not *stay*.

Jer 20:10 For I heard the defaming [whispering] of many,

fear on every side. Report, say they, and we will report it.

All my familiars [trusted friends] watched for my halting, saying,

Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him.

#### Jer 20:11 But the LORD is with me as a mighty terrible one:

therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: *their* everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.

# Jer 20:12 But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous,

and seest the reins [mind] and the heart,

let me see thy vengeance on them:

for unto thee have I opened my cause.

#### Jer 20:13 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD:

for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.

#### Jer 20:14 Cursed be the day wherein I was born:

let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

#### Jer 20:15 Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying,

A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

Jer 20:16 And let that man be as the cities which the LORD overthrew, and repented not:

and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide;

Jer 20:17 Because he slew me not from the womb;

or that my mother might have been my grave,

and her womb to be always great with me.

Jer 20:18 Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?

# The LORD sends Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to take captive Jehoiakim because of the wickedness of Manasseh

2Ki 24:1a In his days

Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up,

and **Jehoiakim** became his servant three years:

2Ch 36:6 Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon,

and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon.

2Ch 36:7 Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon.

Dan 1:1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and

besieged it.
Dan 1:2 And the LORD gave
Jehoiakim king of Judah into his

with <u>part of the vessels of the house</u> of God:

which he carried into **the land of Shinar** to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.

2Ki 24:1b then he turned and rebelled against him.

2Ki 24:2 And the LORD sent against him

- bands of the Chaldees.
- and bands of the Syrians,
- and bands of the Moabites.
- and bands of the children of Ammon,

and sent them against Judah to destroy it,

according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servants the prophets.

2Ki 24:3 Surely at the commandment of the LORD came this upon Judah,

to remove them out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did;

2Ki 24:4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled **Jerusalem** with innocent blood; which the LORD would not pardon.

God gives the obedient Rechabite household as an example for Judah to follow Jer 35:1

The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,

saying,

Jer 35:2 Go unto **the house of the Rechabites**, and speak unto them, and bring them into **the house of the LORD**, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink.

Jer 35:3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons,

and the whole house of the Rechabites;

Jer 35:4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of Igdaliah, a man of God,

- which was by the chamber of the princes,
- which was above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the door:

Jer 35:5 And I set before the sons of **the house of the Rechabites** pots full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, Drink ye wine.

We will drink no wine:

for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying,

Ye shall drink no wine, *neither* ye, nor your sons for ever:

Jer 35:7 Neither shall ye build house,

nor sow seed,

nor plant vineyard, nor have any:

but all your days ye shall dwell in tents;

that ye may live many days in the land where ye be strangers.

Jer 35:8 Thus have we obeyed the voice of **Jonadab** the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days,

we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

Jer 35:9 Nor to build houses for us to dwell in:

neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:

Jer 35:10 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed,

and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

Jer 35:11 But it came to pass,

when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land,

that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem

for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the Syrians:

so we dwell at Jerusalem.

#### Jer 35:18

And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites,

#### Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Because ye have obeyed the commandment of **Jonadab** your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

Jer 35:19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.

Jer 35:12 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 35:13 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Go and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem,

Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to my words?

saith the LORD.

Jer 35:14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab.

that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed;

for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment:

But I have spoken to you again and again;

and speaking;

yet you have not listened to Me.

Jer 35:15 "Also I have sent to you all My servants the prophets,

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sending them again and again, saying: (NASV)

but ye hearkened not unto me.

Jer 35:15 I have sent also unto you all my servants

notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early

rising up early and sending them, saying, (KJV)

Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers:

but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me.

Jer 35:16 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab

have performed the commandment of their father, which he commanded them;

but this people hath not hearkened unto me:

Jer 35:17

Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem

all the evil that I have pronounced against them:

because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard;

and I have called unto them, but they have not answered.

# Third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah

Book of Daniel

Dan 1:3 And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring *certain* of the children of Israel,

and of the king's seed, and of the princes;

Dan 1:4 Children [youths]

- in whom was no blemish [defect],
- but well favoured,
- and skilful in all wisdom,
- and cunning [skillful] in knowledge, [endowed with understanding NASV]
- and understanding science,
- and such as had ability in them to stand [serve] in the king's palace,
- and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the **Chaldeans**.

Dan 1:5 And the king

- appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine which he drank:
- so nourishing them {in body and mind} three years, that at the end thereof they might stand [serve] before the king.

Dan 1:6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:

Dan 1:7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs [ministers of state] gave names:

- for he gave unto **Daniel** the name of **Belteshazzar**;
- and to Hananiah, of Shadrach:
- and to Mishael, of Meshach;
- and to Azariah, of Abednego.

Dan 1:8 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs [ministers of state] that he might not defile himself.

Dan 1:9 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs [officials].

Dan 1:10 And **the prince of the eunuchs** said unto **Daniel**, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than the children which *are* of your sort? then shall ye make *me* endanger my head to the king.

Dan 1:11 Then said Daniel to Melzar [the overseer], whom the prince of the eunuchs [officials] had set over

Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, Dan 1:12 Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days;

- and let them give us pulse [vegetables] to eat, and water to drink.
- Dan 1:13 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat:

and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.

Dan 1:14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

Dan 1:15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

Dan 1:16 Thus Melzar [the overseer] took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse [vegetables].

Dan 1:17 As for these four children, God gave them

- knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom:
- and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

Dan 1:18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

Dan 1:19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king.

Dan 1:20 And in all matters of wisdom *and* understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians *and* astrologers that *were* in all his realm.

#### **Preview Comment**

Dan 1:21 And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus.

Note: Babylon eventually fell to Persia.

#### The Scroll the LORD has Jeremiah Dictate to Baruch

Jer 36:1

# And it came to pass

# in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,

that this word came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Jer 36:2

Take thee a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken unto thee against Israel,

and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake unto thee, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.

Jer 36:3 It may be that **the house of Judah** will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

Jer 36:4 Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah: and Baruch wrote from the mouth [dictation] of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.

Jer 36:5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut up; I cannot go into the house of the LORD:

Jer 36:6 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth [at my dictation], the words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD'S house upon the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.

Jer 36:7 It may be they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will return every one from his evil way: for great is the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against this people.

Jer 36:8 And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD'S house.

#### Jer 45:1

The word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had written these words in a book at the mouth [dictation] of Jeremiah,

in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

Jer 45:2

Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch;

Jer 45:3 Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

Jer 45:4

Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus;

Behold, *that* which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.

Jer 45:5 And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek *them* not: for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest.

# God uses Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to punish Pharaoh Neco

Jer 46:1 The word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet

# against the Gentiles;

Jer 46:2 Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaohnecho king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah. (Note: This is also the 1<sup>st</sup> year of Nebuchadnezzar)

Jer 46:3 Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.

Jer 46:4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with *your* helmets; furbish the spears, and put on the brigandines [scale armor].

Jer 46:5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed *and* turned away back? and their mighty ones are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: *for* fear *was* round about, saith the LORD.

Jer 46:6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

Jer 46:7 Who *is* this *that* cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?

Jer 46:8 Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers;
and he saith, I will go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

Jer 46:9 Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; the **Ethiopians** and the **Libyans**, that handle the shield; and the **Lydians**, that handle *and* bend the bow.

Jer 46:10 For this is the day of the LORD GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood:

for the LORD GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

Jer 46:11 Go up into **Gilead**, and take balm, **O virgin**, the daughter of **Egypt**: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; *for* thou shalt not be cured.

Jer 46:12 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, *and* they are fallen both together.

# Jer 46:13 The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come and smite the land of Egypt.

Jer 46:14 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahpanhes: say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee. Jer 46:15 Why are thy valiant *men* swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did drive them. Jer 46:16 He made many to fall, yea, one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword. Jer 46:17 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt is but a noise; he hath passed the time appointed. Jer 46:18 As I live, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts, Surely as **Tabor** is among the mountains, and as **Carmel** by the sea, so shall he come. Jer 46:19 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, furnish thyself to go into captivity: for **Noph** shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant. Jer 46:20 **Egypt** is like a very fair heifer, but destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north. Jer 46:21 Also her hired men *are* in the midst of her like fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, and are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, and the time of their visitation [punishment]. Jer 46:22 The voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood. Jer 46:23 They shall cut down her forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched [found]; because they are more than the grasshoppers, and are innumerable. Jer 46:24 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded [put to shame]; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north. Jer 46:25 The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saith; Behold, I will punish the multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even **Pharaoh**, and *all* them that trust in him: Jer 46:26 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD. Jer 46:27 But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and **Jacob** shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid. Jer 46:28 Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I am with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither [where] I have driven thee: ut I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.

2Ki 24:7 And the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land: for the king of Babylon had taken from the river of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all that pertained to the king of Egypt.

# Nations to be exiled in Babylon 70 years

Jer 25:1 The word that came to Jeremiah

concerning all the people of Judah

in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,

that was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;

Jer 25:2 The which Jeremiah the prophet spake unto all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

Jer 25:3 From the thirteenth year of **Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah**, even unto this day, that *is* the three and twentieth year, the word of the LORD hath come unto me, and I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye have not hearkened.

Jer 25:4 And the LORD hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them;* but ye have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.

Jer 25:5 They said,

Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever: Jer 25:6 And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands;

and I will do you no hurt.

Jer 25:7 Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the LORD; that ye might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.

Jer 25:8 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts;

Because ye have not heard my words,

Jer 25:9 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them

- against this land,
- and against the inhabitants thereof,
- and against all these nations round about,

and will utterly destroy them,

and make them an astonishment, and an hissing,

and perpetual desolations.

Jer 25:10 Moreover I will take from them

- the voice of mirth,
- and the voice of gladness,
- the voice of the bridegroom,
- and the voice of the bride,
- the sound of the millstones,
- and the light of the candle.

Jer 25:11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, *and* an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

Jer 25:12 And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish

- the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity,
- and the land of the Chaldeans,

and will make it perpetual desolations.

Jer 25:13 And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, even all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations. Jer 25:14 For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves [make slaves] of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.

#### Jer 25:15 For thus saith the LORD GOD of Israel unto me;

Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

Jer 25:16 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

#### Jer 25:17 Then took I the cup at the LORD'S hand,

and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

- Jer 25:18 *To wit,* **Jerusalem**, and the cities of **Judah**, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as *it is* this day;
- Jer 25:19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;
- Jer 25:20 And all the mingled people,
- and all the kings of the land of Uz,
- and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah [Gaza], and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod.
- Jer 25:21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,
- Jer 25:22 And all the kings of Tyrus [Tyre], and all the kings of Zidon [Sidon],
- and the kings of the isles which are beyond the sea,
- Jer 25:23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,
- Jer 25:24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert,
- Jer 25:25 And all the kings of Zimri,
- and all the kings of Elam,
- and all the kings of the Medes,
- Jer 25:26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another,
- and all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth: (Note: Middle east)
- and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.

#### Jer 25:27

Therefore thou shalt say unto them,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

# Jer 25:28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them,

#### Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

Ye shall certainly drink.

Jer 25:29 For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name,

and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished:

for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.

Jer 25:30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them,

The LORD shall roar from on high,

and utter his voice from his holy habitation;

he shall mightily roar upon [against] his habitation;

he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes,

against all the inhabitants of the earth.

#### Jer 25:31 A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth;

or the LORD hath a controversy with the nations,

He is entering into judgment with all flesh; (NASV)

he will plead with all flesh; (KJV)

he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.

#### Jer 25:32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts,

Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation,

and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

#### Jer 25:33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day

from *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth:

they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried;

they shall be dung upon the ground.

#### Jer 25:34 Howl, ye shepherds, and cry;

and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock:

#### for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished;

and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.

Jer 25:35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee,

nor the principal of the flock to escape.

Jer 25:36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, *shall* be heard:

for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.

Jer 25:37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down

because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

Jer 25:38 He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion:

for their land is desolate

because of the fierceness of the oppressor,

and because of his fierce anger.

# Year 5 of Jehoiakim

Jer 36:9

# And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, in the ninth month.

that they proclaimed a fast before the LORD

to all the people in Jerusalem,

and to all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.

# Jer 36:10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah

in the house of the LORD,

- in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe,
- in the higher court,
- at the entry of the new gate of the LORD'S house,

in the ears of all the people.

Jer 36:11 When **Michaiah** the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard **out of the book all the words of the LORD**,

Jer 36:12 Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber:

and, lo, all the princes sat there,

- even Elishama the scribe,
- and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah,
- and Elnathan the son of Achbor,
- and Gemariah the son of Shaphan,
- and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah,
- and all the princes.

Jer 36:13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

Jer 36:14 Therefore all the princes sent **Jehudi** 

- the son of Nethaniah,
- the son of Shelemiah,
- the son of Cushi,

unto **Baruch**, saying,

Take in thine hand the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people, and come.

So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them.

Jer 36:15 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears.

So **Baruch** read *it* in their ears.

Jer 36:16 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, they were afraid both one and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

Jer 36:17 And they asked **Baruch**, saying,

Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words

at his mouth?

Jer 36:18 Then Baruch answered them,

He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth,

and I wrote them with ink in the book.

Jer 36:19 Then said the princes unto **Baruch**,

Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah;

and let no man know where ye be.

Jer 36:20 And they went in to the king into the court,

but they laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe,

and told all the words in the ears of the king.

Jer 36:21 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll [scroll]:

and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's chamber.

And **Jehudi** read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which stood beside the king.

## Jehoiakim destroys the book Jeremiah dictated to Baruch

## Jer 36:22 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month:

and there was a fire on the hearth burning before him.

Jer 36:23 And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read three or four leaves [columns],

he cut it with the penknife, and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth,

until all the roll [scroll] was consumed in the fire that was on the hearth.

Jer 36:24 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments,

neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

Jer 36:25 Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

Jer 36:26 But the king commanded

- **Jerahmeel** the son of Hammelech,
- and Seraiah the son of Azriel,
- and **Shelemiah** the son of Abdeel,

to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the LORD hid them.

## The LORD has Jeremiah dictate the same words to Baruch again

Jer 36:27 Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 36:28 Take thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

Jer 36:29 And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah,

#### Thus saith the LORD:

Thou hast burned this roll, saying,

Why hast thou written therein, saying, **The king of Babylon** shall certainly come and destroy this land,

and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?

Jer 36:30

## Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah;

He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David:

and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

Jer 36:31 And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah.

all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.

Jer 36:32 Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah

all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many like words.

## Year 5 of Jehoiakim, Year 2 of Nebuchadnezzar

# Nebuchadnezzar commands Arioch (Dan 2:24) to slay all the wise men of Babylon because none could tell him or interpret his disturbing dream

Dan 2:1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.

Dan 2:2 Then the king commanded to call the **magicians**, and the **astrologers**, and the **sorcerers**, and the **Chaldeans**, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

Dan 2:3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

Dan 2:4 Then spake the **Chaldeans** to the king in Syriack [Aramaic], O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.

Dan 2:5 The king answered and said to the **Chaldeans**, The thing is gone from me: *if ye will not make known unto me the dream*, *with the interpretation thereof*,

- *ye shall be cut in pieces,*
- and your houses shall be made a dunghill.

Dan 2:6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.

Dan 2:7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

Dan 2:8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

Dan 2:9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you: for *ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me*, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.

Dan 2:10 The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such things at any **magician**, or **astrologer**, or **Chaldean**.

Dan 2:11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

Dan 2:12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

Dan 2:13a And the **decree went forth** that the wise *men* should be slain;

## Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azaria seek God on this matter as they too are marked to be killed

Dan 2:13b and they sought **Daniel** and his fellows to be slain.

Dan 2:14 Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon:

Dan 2:15 He answered and said to **Arioch the king's captain**, Why is the decree so hasty from the king? Then **Arioch** made the thing known to **Daniel**.

Dan 2:16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

Dan 2:17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

Dan 2:18 That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that **Daniel** and **his fellows** should not perish with the rest of **the wise** *men* of **Babylon**.

## Daniel praises God for revealing the mystery of the dream

Dan 2:19 Then was the secret revealed unto **Daniel** in a night vision.

Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

Dan 2:20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever:

for wisdom and might are his:

Dan 2:21 And he changeth the times and the seasons:

he removeth kings, and setteth up kings:

he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

Dan 2:22 He revealeth the deep and secret things:

he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

Dan 2:23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers,

- who hast given me wisdom and might,
- and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee:
- for thou hast *now* made known unto us the king's matter.

## Daniel Intercedes not to have the wise men of Babylon destroyed

Dan 2:24 Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him;

Destroy not the wise men of Babylon:

bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.

## God through Daniel reveals Nebuchadnezzar's dream

Dan 2:25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, I have found a man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation.

Dan 2:26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?

Dan 2:27 **Daniel** answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded

- cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;
- Dan 2:28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days.

Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

Dan 2:29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter:

and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.

Dan 2:30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living, but

- for their sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king,
- and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

Dan 2:31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image.

- This great image, whose brightness was excellent,
- stood before thee;
- and the form thereof *was* terrible.
- 1. Dan 2:32 This image's head was of fine gold,
- 2. his breast and his arms of **silver**,
- 3. his belly and his thighs of **brass**,
- 4. Dan 2:33 His legs of **iron**,
- 5. his feet part of iron and part of clay.

Dan 2:34 Thou sawest till that **a stone was cut out without hands**, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. Dan 2:35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

## Dan 2:36a This is the dream;

#### Dan 2:36b

and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

Dan 2:37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

Dan 2:38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all.

- 1. **Thou** art this **head of gold.**
- 2. Dan 2:39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, (Note: Silver breast and arms Persia)
- 3. and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth. (Note: Bronze belly and thighs Greece)
- 4. Dan 2:40 And the **fourth kingdom** shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh **all these**, shall it break in pieces and bruise. (Note: Legs of iron -Rome)

Dan 2:41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron,

- the kingdom shall be divided;
- but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.
- Dan 2:42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.
- Dan 2:43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

## Dan 2:44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, (Note: The kingdom of Jesus Christ)

- which shall never be destroyed:
- and the kingdom shall not be left to other people,
- but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms,
- and it shall stand for ever.

Dan 2:45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that **the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake** in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter:

and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Nebuchadnezzar gives Daniel rule over the whole province of Babylon and appoints Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, over the administration of the province of Babylon

Dan 2:46 Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.

Dan 2:47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth it is, that your God is

- a God of gods, and a Lord of kings,
- and a revealer of secrets,

seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.

Dan 2:48 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him

- ruler over the whole province of **Babylon**,
- and chief of the governors over all the wise *men* of **Babylon**.

Dan 2:49 Then Daniel requested of the king,

- and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon:
- but **Daniel** sat in the gate of the king.

Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego prosper for not worshipping the golden image that Nebudchadnezzar set up

Dan 3:1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold,

- whose height was threescore cubits,
- and the breadth thereof six cubits:

he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

Dan 3:2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together

- the princes,
- the governors,
- and the captains,
- the judges,
- the treasurers,
- the counsellors,
- the sheriffs.
- and all the rulers of the provinces.

to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

Dan 3:3 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that **Nebuchadnezzar the king** had set up; and they stood before the image that **Nebuchadnezzar** had set up.

Dan 3:4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,

Dan 3:5 *That* at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that **Nebuchadnezzar the king** hath set up:

Dan 3:6 And whose falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

Dan 3:7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down *and* worshipped the golden image that **Nebuchadnezzar the king** had set up.

- Dan 3:8 Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.
- Dan 3:9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.
- Dan 3:10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:
- Dan 3:11 And whose falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
- Dan 3:12 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the **province of Babylon**, **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, **and Abednego**; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.
- Dan 3:13 Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.
- Dan 3:14 **Nebuchadnezzar** spake and said unto them, Is it true, O **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, **and Abednego**, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?
- Dan 3:15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?
- Dan 3:16 **Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego,** answered and said to **the king, O Nebuchadnezzar,** we *are* not careful to answer thee in this matter.
- Dan 3:17 If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.
- Dan 3:18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.
- Dan 3:19 Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.
- Dan 3:20 And he commanded the most mighty men that were in his army to bind **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, and **Abednego**, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.
- Dan 3:21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their *other* garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.
- Dan 3:22 Therefore because **the king**'s commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flame of the fire slew those men that took up **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, **and Abednego**.
- Dan 3:23 And these three men, **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, **and Abednego**, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.
- Dan 3:24 Then **Nebuchadnezzar the king** was astonied, and rose up in haste, *and* spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto **the king**, True, O king.
- Dan 3:25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.
- Dan 3:26 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and* spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came forth of the midst of the fire.
- Dan 3:27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and **the king**'s counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men,
  - upon whose bodies the fire had no power,
  - nor was an hair of their head singed,
  - neither were their coats changed,
  - nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

Dan 3:28 Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants

- that trusted in him,
- and have changed the king's word,
- and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.

Dan 3:29 Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against **the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego,** shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because

• there is no other God that can deliver after this sort [in this way].

Dan 3:30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.

# Nebuchadnezzar addresses his kingdom declaring the signs and wonders of the Most High God

### Dan 4:1 Nebuchadnezzar the king,

unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth;

Peace be multiplied unto you.

Dan 4:2 I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward me.

Dan 4:3 How great are his signs!

and how mighty are his wonders!

his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

and his dominion is from generation to generation.

Dan 4:4 I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

Dan 4:5 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me.

Dan 4:6 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

Dan 4:7 Then came in the magicians, the astrologers, the **Chaldeans**, and the **soothsayers**: and I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation thereof.

Dan 4:8 But at the last **Daniel** came in before me, whose name was **Belteshazzar**, according to the name of my god, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods: and before him I told the dream, saying,

Dan 4:9 O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.

Dan 4:10 Thus were the visions of mine head in my bed; I saw, and behold

a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof was great.

Dan 4:11 The tree grew, and was strong,

and the height thereof reached unto heaven,

and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

Dan 4:12 The leaves thereof were fair, and the fruit thereof much,

and in it was meat for all:

the beasts of the field had shadow under it,

and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof,

and all flesh was fed of it.

Dan 4:13 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and an holy one came down from heaven;

Dan 4:14 He cried aloud, and said thus,

Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

Dan 4:15 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

Dan 4:16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him;

and let seven times pass over him.

Dan 4:17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones:

to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.

Dan 4:18 This dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof,

- forasmuch as all the wise men of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation:
- but thou art able; for the spirit of the holy gods is in thee.

Dan 4:19 Then **Daniel**, whose name was **Belteshazzar**, was astonied for one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, **Belteshazzar**, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.

Dan 4:20 The tree that thou sawest,

- which grew, and was strong,
- whose height reached unto the heaven,
- and the sight thereof to all the earth;
- Dan 4:21 Whose leaves were fair,
- and the fruit thereof much,
- and in it was meat for all;
- under which the beasts of the field dwelt,
- and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:

#### Dan 4:22 It is thou, O king,

- that art grown and become strong:
- for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven,
- and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

Dan 4:23 And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven,

and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;

Dan 4:24 This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:

- Dan 4:25 That they shall drive thee from men,
- and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field,
- and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen,
- and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven,

## and seven times shall pass over thee,

- till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.
- Dan 4:26 And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule.

Dan 4:27 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee,

- and break off thy sins by righteousness,
- and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity.

## Dan 4:28 All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

Dan 4:29 At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

Dan 4:30 The king spake, and said,

Is not this great Babylon,

- that I have built for the house of the kingdom
- by the might of my power,
- and for the honour of my majesty?

Dan 4:31 While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying,

## O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken;

- The kingdom is departed from thee.
- Dan 4:32 And they shall drive thee from men,
- and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field:
- they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen,
- and seven times shall pass over thee,
  - until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he
    will.

## Dan 4:33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar:

- and he was driven from men,
- and did eat grass as oxen,
- and his body was wet with the dew of heaven,
  - o till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers,
  - o and his nails like birds' claws.

Dan 4:34 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven,

and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever,

whose dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom *is* from generation to generation:

Dan 4:35 And all the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

#### Dan 4:36 At the same time

- my reason returned unto me;
- and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me;
- and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me;
- and I was established in my kingdom,
- and excellent majesty was added unto me.

## Dan 4:37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven,

- all whose works *are* truth, and his ways judgment:
- and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Year of Jehoiakim, 9<sup>th</sup> year of Nebuchadnezzar Transfer of power from Jehoiakim to Jehoiachin

## (Note: Jahojashin is also called Jaconiah and Canjah)

(Note: Jehoiachin is also called Jeconiah and Coniah)

2Ki 24:6 So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers:	
and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.	2Ch 36:8b and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

## More records of Jehoiakim

2Ki 24:5 Now the rest of the acts of <b>Jehoiakim</b> , and	2Ch 36:8a Now the rest of the acts of <b>Jehoiakim</b> ,
all that he did,	<ul> <li>and his abominations which he did,</li> </ul>
are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?	• and that which was found in [against] him, behold, they <i>are</i> written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah:

Note: These records are not in the Bible but are recommended reading (if you can find them). Those records not in the protestant canon may contain details of years 6-11 of Jehoiakim's reign

## Jehoiachin, wicked king of Judah Son of Jehoiakim wicked king of Judah

(Note: Jehoiachin is also called Jeconiah and Coniah)

## Brief summary of the brief reign of Jehoiachin

- 2Ki 24:8 **Jehoiachin** was eighteen years old when he began to reign,
- and he reigned in Jerusalem three months.
- And his mother's name was Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem.
- 2Ki 24:9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father had done.
- 2Ch 36:9 **Jehoiachin** was eight years old when he began to reign, (discrepancy in age)
- and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem:
- and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD.

## King Nebuchadnezzar carries Jehoiachin and the best of Jerusalem into exile in Babylon with the valuable articles of the house of the LORD

2Ch 36:10a And when the year was expired, king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon, with the goodly [precious] vessels of the house of the LORD,

2Ki 24:10 At that time the servants of **Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon** came up against **Jerusalem**, and the city was besieged.

2Ki 24:11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did besiege it.

2Ki 24:12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon,

- he.
- and his mother,
- and his servants,
- and his princes,
- and his officers:

and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.

## 2Ki 24:13 And he carried out thence

- all the treasures of the house of the LORD,
- and the treasures of the king's house,
- and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of the LORD,

as the LORD had said.

## 2Ki 24:14 And he carried away

- all Jerusalem,
- and all the princes,
- and all the mighty men of valour,
- even ten thousand captives,
- and all the craftsmen and smiths:

none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.

### 2Ki 24:15 And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon,

- and the king's mother,
- and the king's wives,
- and his officers,
- and the mighty of the land,

those carried he (Note: naked - Strongs Concordance H1540) into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

- 2Ki 24:16 And all the men of might, even seven thousand,
- and craftsmen and smiths a thousand,
- all that were strong and apt for war,

even them the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon.

## Transfer of power from Jehoiachin to Mattaniah renamed to Zedekiah by Nebuchadnezzar

2Ki 24:17 And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah his father's brother king in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

2Ch 36:10b and made **Zedekiah his brother** king over **Judah** and **Jerusalem**.

## Good and Bad Figs

#### Jer 24:1b -KJV Jer 24:1a - NASV

after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive

- Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, (note: Jeconiah is also called Jehoiachin and Coniah)
- Jer 24:1c and the princes of Judah,
- with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem,

and had brought them to Babylon.

#### Jer 24:1a -KJV Jer 24:1b - NASV The LORD showed me:

and, behold, two baskets of figs were set before the temple of the LORD,

- Jer 24:2 One basket had very good figs, even like the figs that are first ripe:
- and the other basket had very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.

Jer 24:3 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah?

#### And I said,

- Figs; the good figs, very good;
- and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

## Jer 24:4 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

#### Jer 24:5

Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel;

Like these good figs, so will I acknowledge them that are carried away captive of **Judah**,

whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans for their good.

Jer 24:6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good,

and I will bring them again to this land:

and I will build them, and not pull them down;

and I will plant them, and not pluck them up.

Jer 24:7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the LORD:

and they shall be my people, and I will be their God:

for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.

Jer 24:8 And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD,

So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah,

and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land,

and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:

Jer 24:9 And I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth

for their hurt, to be a reproach and a proverb,

a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.

Jer 24:10 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them,

till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.

## Year 1 of Jehoiachin's exile, Year 1 of Zedekiah

## A letter from Jeremiah to the exiles in Babylon Serve Nebuchadnezzar and then the LORD will restore you

Jer 29:1 Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto

- the residue of the elders which were carried away captives,
- and to the priests,
- and to the prophets,
- and to all the people

whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

## Jer 29:2 (After that [this was after - NASV]

- Jeconiah the king,
- and the queen,
- and the eunuchs,
- the princes of Judah and Jerusalem,
- and the carpenters,
- and the smiths,

were departed from Jerusalem;)

(Note: Jeconiah, Jehoiachin, and Coniah are the same person, see Jer 22:24)

## Jer 29:3 By the hand of

- Elasah the son of Shaphan,
- and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah,

(whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

## Jer 29:4 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel,

unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from **Jerusalem** unto **Babylon**;

Jer 29:5 Build ve houses, and dwell in them;

and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;

Jer 29:6 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters;

and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands,

that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

Jer 29:7 And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ve have peace.

## Jer 29:8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Let not your **prophets** and your **diviners**, that *be* in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to **your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.**Jer 29:9 For **they prophesy falsely unto you in** my name:

I have not sent them, saith the LORD.

Jer 29:10 For thus saith the LORD,

#### That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon

I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

Jer 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD,

- thoughts of peace, and not of evil,
- to give you an expected end.

Jer 29:12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto vou.

Jer 29:13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

Jer 29:14 And I will be found of you, saith the LORD:

and I will turn away your captivity, [restore your fortunes - NASV]

and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD;

and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

## False prophets in exile will face sword, famine, and pestilence

Jer 29:15

Because ye have said,

The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon;

Jer 29:16 Know that thus saith the LORD

of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwelleth in this city, and of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

Jer 29:17 Thus saith the LORD of hosts;

Behold, I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them <u>like vile figs</u>, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil. (See Jeremiah 24) Jer 29:18 And I will persecute them with the **sword**, with the **famine**, and with the **pestilence**,

and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth,

- to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing,
- and a **reproach**, among **all the nations** whither I have driven them:

Jer 29:19 Because they have not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending *them;* but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.

Jer 29:20 Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from **Jerusalem** to **Babylon**: Jer 29:21

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel,

- of Ahab the son of Kolaiah.
- and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name;

Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of **Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon**; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

Jer 29:22 And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which *are* in Babylon, saying,

The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire;

Jer 29:23 Because they have committed villany in **Israel**, and have committed adultery with their neighbours' wives, and have spoken lying words in my name, which I have not commanded them; even I know, and *am* a witness, saith the LORD.

Jer 29:24 Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying,

Jer 29:25 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying,

**Because** thou hast sent letters in thy name unto all the people that *are* at **Jerusalem**, and to **Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest**, and to all the priests, saying,

Jer 29:26 The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest,

- that ye should be officers in **the house of the LORD**, for every man *that is* mad, and maketh himself a prophet,
- that thou shouldest put **him** in prison, and in the stocks.

Jer 29:27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved **Jeremiah of Anathoth**, which maketh himself a prophet to you?

Jer 29:28 For therefore he sent unto us in Babylon, saying,

This *captivity is* long: build ye houses, and dwell *in them;* and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

Jer 29:29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet.

Jer 29:30 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 29:31 Send to all them of the captivity, saying,

Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite;

### Because that

**Shemaiah** hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you to trust in a lie:

Jer 29:32 **Therefore** thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed:

he shall not have a man to dwell among this people;

neither shall he behold the good that I will do for my people, saith the LORD;

because he hath taught rebellion against the LORD.

## Israel and Judah to be restored with David restored as their king

Jer 30:1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

Jer 30:2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.

Jer 30:3 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

Jer 30:4

And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

## Jer 30:5 For thus saith the LORD;

We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.

Jer 30:6 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

Jer 30:7 Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it:

it is even the time of Jacob's trouble:

but he shall be saved out of it.

Jer 30:8 For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts,

that I will break his yoke from off thy neck,

and will burst thy bonds,

and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

Jer 30:9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them

Note: Hos 3:5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

Jer 30:10 Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD;

neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo,

I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity;

and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet,

and none shall make him afraid.

Jer 30:11 For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee:

though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee,

yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure,

and will not leave thee altogether unpunished. (Note: only the righteous remnant will be spared)

Jer 30:12 For thus saith the LORD,

Thy bruise is incurable, and thy wound is grievous.

Jer 30:13 There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up:

thou hast no healing medicines.

Jer 30:14 All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not;

for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one,

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for the multitude of thine iniquity; because thy sins were increased.
Jer 30:15 Why criest thou for thine affliction?
thy sorrow is incurable
for the multitude of thine iniquity: because thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.
Jer 30:16 Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured;
and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity;
and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil,
and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.
Jer 30:17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD;
because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.
Jer 30:18 Thus saith the LORD;
Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents,
and have mercy on his dwellingplaces;
and the city shall be builded upon her own heap,
and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.
Jer 30:19 And out of them shall proceed
                  thanksgiving
                  and the voice of them that make merry:
and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few;
I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.
Jer 30:20 Their children also shall be as aforetime,
and their congregation shall be established before me,
and I will punish all that oppress them.
Jer 30:21 And their nobles shall be of themselves.
and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them;
and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me:
for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.
Jer 30:22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.
Jer 30:23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind:
it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.
Jer 30:24 The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return,
until he have done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart:
in the latter days ye shall consider it.
Jer 31:1 At the same time, saith the LORD,
will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.
Jer 31:2 Thus saith the LORD,
The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel,
when I went to cause him to rest.
The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying,
         Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love:
         therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.
         Jer 31:4 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel:
         thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets,
         and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.
        Jer 31:5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria:
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the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things.

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Jer 31:6 For there shall be a day,
that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry,
Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.
Jer 31:7 For thus saith the LORD;
Sing with gladness for Jacob,
and shout among the chief of the nations:
publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD,
save thy people, the remnant of Israel.
Jer 31:8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, (Note: Assyria, Babylon)
and gather them from the coasts of the earth,
and with them the blind and the lame,
the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together:
a great company shall return thither.
Jer 31:9 They shall come with weeping,
and with supplications will I lead them:
I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way,
wherein they shall not stumble:
for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. (note: speaking figuratively here, Ephraim was born to
Joseph in Egypt)
Jer 31:10 Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations,
and declare it in the isles afar off, and say,
He that scattered Israel will gather him,
and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock.
Jer 31:11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob,
and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.
Jer 31:12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion,
and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD,
for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd:
and their soul shall be as a watered garden;
and they shall not sorrow any more at all.
Jer 31:13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance,
both young men and old together:
for I will turn their mourning into joy,
and will comfort them,
and make them rejoice from their sorrow.
Jer 31:14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,
saith the LORD.
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# Prophecy concerning King Herod slaying all children under age 2 hoping to kill Jesus Christ

## Jer 31:15 Thus saith the LORD;

A voice was heard in **Ramah**, lamentation, and bitter weeping;

Rahel [Rachel] weeping for her children (Note: Jacob's wife)

refused to be comforted for her children,

because they were not.

Note: Fulfilled in Matthew 2:16-17 where King Herod has slain all the male children from two years old and under.

## God will restore Israel and Judah

## Jer 31:16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. Jer 31:17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border. Jer 31:18 I have surely heard **Ephraim** bemoaning himself *thus*; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the voke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art the LORD my God. Jer 31:19 Surely after that I was turned, I repented: and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth. Jer 31:20 Is **Ephraim** my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: herefore my bowels are troubled for him: I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD. Jer 31:21 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: et thine heart toward the highway, even the way which thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities. Jer 31:22 How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass [enclose, envelop] a man. Jer 31:23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness. Jer 31:24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks. Jer 31:25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul. Jer 31:26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me. Jer 31:27 **Behold, the days come, saith the LORD.** that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast. Jer 31:28 And it shall come to pass, that like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the LORD. Jer 31:29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a **sour grape**, and the children's **teeth are set on edge**. Jer 31:30 But every one shall die for his **own** iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

#### Note:

Eating Sour Grapes - Denial of the desirability of something after one has found out that it cannot be reached or acquired, the attitude of affecting to despise something because one cannot or does not have it oneself.

Set teeth on edge – to find something unpleasant or irritating

Jer 31:31 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that

## I will make a **new covenant**

## with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

## Jer 31:32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers

in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of **the land of Egypt**; which **my covenant** they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

## Jer 31:33 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel;

(Note: the northern and southern kingdoms reunited)

After those days, saith the LORD,

I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts;

and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jer 31:34 And they shall teach no more

every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying,

Know the LORD:

for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD:

for I will forgive their iniquity,

and I will remember their sin no more.

#### Jer 31:35 Thus saith the LORD,

which giveth the sun for a light by day,

and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night,

which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar;

The LORD of hosts is his name:

## Jer 31:36 If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD,

then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

### Jer 31:37 Thus saith the LORD;

If heaven above can be measured,

and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath,

I will also cast off **all the seed of Israel** for all that they have done, saith the LORD.

Jer 31:38 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD,

## that the city shall be built [rebuilt] to the LORD

from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.

Jer 31:39 And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb,

and shall compass about to Goath.

Jer 31:40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes,

and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron,

unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east,

shall be holy unto the LORD;

it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more for ever.

## Preview of Zedekiah's reign

- 2Ki 24:18 Zedekiah was twenty and one years old when he began to reign,
- and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.
- And his mother's name was Hamutal, the daughter of **Jeremiah of Libnah.**
- 2Ki 24:19 And he did *that* which was evil in the sight
   of the LORD, according to
   all that **Jehoiakim** had
   done

2Ki 24:20 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in **Jerusalem** and **Judah**, until he had cast them out from his presence,

that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

- 2Ch 36:11 Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign,
- and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.
- 2Ch 36:12 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God,
- and humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the mouth of the LORD.

- Jer 52:1 Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign,
- and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.
- And his mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.
- Jer 52:2 And he did that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done

Jer 52:3 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in **Jerusalem** and **Judah**, till he had cast them out from his presence,

that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

2Ch 36:13 And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.

2Ch 36:14 Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much

- after all the abominations of the heathen;
- and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.

2Ch 36:15 And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes [early], and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place:

Note:

again and again (NASV)

rising up early and sending (KJV)

The King James interpretation is more literal for H7925 and H7971, where this phrase is repeated throughout the prophetic sections of the Old Testament.

## 2Ch 36:16 But

- they mocked the messengers of God,
- and despised his words,
- and misused his prophets,

until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till *there was* no remedy.

2Ch 36:17 (Note: Preview Commentary here) Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave *them* all into his hand.

## Year 1 of Jehoiachin's exile and Year 1 of Zedekiah's rule

## Zedekiah's covenant to release the slaves is broken by Judah

Jer 34:8 This is the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD,

after that the king Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the people which were at Jerusalem,

- to proclaim liberty unto them;
- Jer 34:9 That every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant,
  - o being an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free;
  - o that none should serve himself of them, to wit, of a Jew his brother.

Jer 34:10 Now when all the princes, and all the people,

- which had entered into the covenant, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free,
  - o that none should serve themselves of them any more,

then they obeyed, and let them go.

Jer 34:11 But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.

Jer 34:12 Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saving,

#### Jer 34:13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel:

I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

Jer 34:14 **At the end of seven years** let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew, which hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee:

but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.

Jer 34:15 And ye were now turned, and had done right in my sight,

- in proclaiming liberty every man to his neighbour;
- and ye had made a **covenant** before me in the house which is called by my name:

Jer 34:16 But ye turned and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom ye had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

Jer 34:17 Therefore thus saith the LORD;

Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour:

behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD,

- to the sword,
- to the pestilence,
- and to the famine;

and I will make you a terror to all the	and I will make you to be removed into all
kingdoms of the earth. (NASV)	the kingdoms of the earth. (KJV)

## Jer 34:18 And I will give the men

- that have transgressed my covenant,
- which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,
- Jer 34:19 The princes of Judah,
- and the princes of Jerusalem,
- the eunuchs,
- and the priests,
- and all the people of the land,

which passed between the parts of the calf;

## Jer 34:20 I will even give them into

- the hand of their enemies,
- and into the hand of them that seek their life:

and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.

## Jer 34:21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give

- into the hand of their enemies,
- and into the hand of them that seek their life,
- and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which are gone up from you.

Jer 34:22 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to **this city**; and they shall

- fight against it,
- and take it,
- and burn it with fire:

and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation without an inhabitant.

## Year 1 of Jehoiachin's exile and Year 1 of Zedekiah's rule con't

## To all captured nations Serve Nebuchadnezzar or perish by sword, plague, and famine

Jer 27:1

In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah

came this word unto **Jeremiah** from the LORD, saying, Jer 27:2 thus saith the LORD to me;

Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck,

Jer 27:3 And send them to

- the king of **Edom**,
- and to the king of **Moab**,
- and to the king of the **Ammonites**, [sons of Ammon]
- and to the king of Tyrus [Tyre],
- and to the king of **Zidon** [Sidon],

by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;

Jer 27:4 And command them to say unto their masters,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Thus shall ye say unto your masters;

Jer 27:5 I have made the earth, the man and the beast that *are* upon the ground,

by my great power and by my outstretched arm,

and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me [who is pleasing in my sight - NASV].

Jer 27:6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of

Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant;

and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.

Jer 27:7 And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son,

until the very time of his land come:

and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.

Jer 27:8 And it shall come to pass,

that the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon,

that nation will I punish,

saith the LORD,

with the **sword**, and with the **famine**, and with the **pestilence**, (see Ezekiel chapters 5-7) until I have consumed them by his hand.

Jer 27:9 Therefore hearken not ye to

- your prophets,
- nor to your diviners,
- nor to your dreamers,
- nor to your enchanters,
- nor to your sorcerers,

which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:

Jer 27:10 For they prophesy a lie unto you,

to remove you far from your land;

and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

#### Jer 27:11

But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

#### Jer 27:12

I spake also to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying,

Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.

Jer 27:13 Why will ye die, thou and thy people,
by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence,
as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

Jer 27:14 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets
that speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:
for they prophesy a lie unto you.

Jer 27:15 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD,
yet they prophesy a lie in my name;
that I might drive you out, and that ye might perish,
ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.

## Jer 27:16 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD;

Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying,

Behold, the vessels of the LORD'S house shall now shortly be brought again from **Babylon**: for they prophesy a lie unto you.

Jer 27:17 Hearken not unto them:

serve the king of Babylon, and live:

wherefore should this city be laid waste?

Jer 27:18 But if they be prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them,

let them now make intercession to the LORD of hosts,

that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.

# Nebuchadnezzar will seize all the vessels of the house of the LORD but they will be returned

#### Jer 27:19

For thus saith the LORD of hosts

concerning the pillars,

and concerning the sea,

and concerning the bases,

and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city,

Jer 27:20 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive

- Jeconiah (Note: also called Jehoiachin and Coniah) the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon,
- and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;

Jer 27:21 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel,

concerning the vessels that remain in the house of the LORD,

and in the house of the king of Judah

and of Jerusalem:

Jer 27:22 They shall be <u>carried to Babylon</u>, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, <u>saith the LORD</u>;

then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

Jer 49:34

The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet

## against Elam

(Note: Elam is today's Iran or Persia) in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

JJer 49:35 Thus saith the LORD of hosts;

Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.

Jer 49:36 And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those winds;

and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of **Elam** shall not come.

Jer 49:37 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed

- before their enemies,
- and before them that seek their life:

and I will bring evil upon them, even my fierce anger, saith the LORD;

and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:

Jer 49:38 And I will set my throne in **Elam**,

and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the LORD.

Jer 49:39 **But it shall come to pass in the latter days,** *that* I will bring again the captivity of **Elam**, saith the LORD.

## Hananiah the false prophet

Jer 28:1

And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, and in the fifth month,

that Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which was of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,

Jer 28:2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying,

I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.

Jer 28:3 Within two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD'S house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon: Jer 28:4 And I will bring again to this place

- Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah,
- with all the captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD:

for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

Jer 28:5 Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the prophet Hananiah

- in the presence of the priests,
- and in the presence of all the people

that stood in the house of the LORD,

## Jer 28:6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said,

**Babylon** into this place.

Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD'S house, and all that is carried away captive, from

Jer 28:7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people;

Jer 28:8 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil [calamity], and of pestilence.

Jer 28:9 The prophet which prophesieth of peace,
when the word of the prophet shall come to pass,
then shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.

Jer 28:10 Then **Hananiah the prophet** took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it. **Jer 28:11** And **Hananiah** spake in the presence of all the people, saying,

Thus saith the LORD;

Even so will I break the yoke of **Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon** from the neck of all nations within the space of **two full years**.

And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.

Jer 28:12 Then the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the prophet, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 28:13 Go and tell **Hananiah**, saying,

Thus saith the LORD;

Thou hast broken the yokes of wood;

but thou shalt make for them **vokes of iron.** 

Jer 28:14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations,

that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon;

and they shall serve him:

and I have given him the beasts of the field also.

## Jer 28:15 Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet,

Hear now, Hananiah;

The LORD hath not sent thee;

but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.

Jer 28:16 Therefore thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth:

this year thou shalt die,

because thou hast taught rebellion against the LORD.

Jer 28:17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

## The scroll of Jeremiah -

# Babylon/Chaldeans to be destroyed by a sea of many nations from the north Jer 51:59

The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign.

And this Seraiah was a quiet prince.

Jer 51:60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, even all these words that are written against Babylon.

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Jer 50:1
                                        The word that the LORD spake
                       against Babylon and against the land of the Chaldeans
                                          by Jeremiah the prophet.
    Jer 50:2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish [proclaim],
    and set up a standard;
    publish, and conceal not: say,
             Babylon is taken,
            Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces;
            her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.
            Jer 50:3 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, (Note: referring to Persia/Iran)
             which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein:
            they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.
            Jer 50:4 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD,
            the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together,
            going and weeping: they shall go,
            and seek the LORD their God.
            Jer 50:5 They shall ask the way to Zion
            with their faces thitherward, saying,
            Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD
            in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten.
            Jer 50:6 My people hath been lost sheep:
            their shepherds have caused them to go astray,
            they have turned them away on the mountains:
            they have gone from mountain to hill, (Note: referring to the "high places" of idol worship)
            they have forgotten their restingplace.
            Jer 50:7 All that found them have devoured them:
            and their adversaries said,
                 We offend not, because they have sinned against
                 the LORD, the habitation of justice,
                 even the LORD, the hope of their fathers.
            Jer 50:8 Remove out of the midst of Babylon,
            and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans,
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and be as the he goats before the flocks.

Jer 50:9 For, lo, I will raise and cause to come up against **Babylon** 

an assembly of great nations from the north country: (Note: Persians, Medes, the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz (verse 51:27))

and they shall set themselves in array against her;

from thence **she** shall be taken:

their arrows shall be as of a mighty expert man; none shall return in vain.

### Jer 50:10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil:

all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.

Jer 50:11 Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage,

because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls;

Jer 50:12 **Your mother** shall be sore confounded; **she** that bare you shall be ashamed:

behold, the hindermost of the nations shall be a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

## Jer 50:13 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited,

but it shall be wholly desolate:

every one that goeth by **Babylon** shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.

## Jer 50:14 Put yourselves in array against **Babylon** round about:

all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows:

for **she** hath sinned against the LORD.

Jer 50:15 Shout against her round about:

she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down:

for it is the vengeance of the LORD:

take vengeance upon her; as she hath done, do unto her.

## Jer 50:16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of barvest:

for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee every one to his own land.

## Jer 50:17 **Israel** is a scattered sheep; **the lions** have driven him away:

- first **the king of Assyria** hath devoured him;
- and last this **Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon** hath broken his bones.

## Jer 50:18 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,

- I will punish the king of Babylon and his land,
- as I have punished the king of Assyria.

## Jer 50:19 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation,

and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan,

and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.

## Jer 50:20 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD,

- the iniquity of **Israel** shall be sought for, and there shall be none;
- and the sins of **Judah**, and they shall not be found:

for I will pardon them whom I reserve [leave as a remnant].

Jer 50:21 Go up against **the land of Merathaim**, *even* against it, and against **the inhabitants of Pekod:** waste and utterly destroy after them, **saith the LORD**, and do according to all that I have commanded thee.

Jer 50:22 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.

Jer 50:23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken!

how is **Babylon** become a desolation among the nations!

Jer 50:24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O **Babylon**, and thou wast not aware:

thou art found, and also caught,

because thou hast striven against the LORD.

Jer 50:25 The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of his indignation: for this is the work of the LORD GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.

Jer 50:26 Come against her from the utmost border.

open her storehouses:

cast **her** up as heaps

and destroy her utterly:

let nothing of her be left.

Jer 50:27 Slay all her bullocks;

let them go down to the slaughter:

woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation [punishment].

Jer 50:28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.

Jer 50:29 Call together the archers against **Babylon**: all ye that bend the bow,

camp against it round about;

let none thereof escape:

recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her:

for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel.

Jer 50:30 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets,

and all her men of war shall be cut off in that day,

saith the LORD.

Jer 50:31 Behold, I am against thee, *O thou* most proud,

saith the LORD GOD of hosts:

for thy day is come, the time that I will visit [punish] thee.

Jer 50:32 And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up:

and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him.

Jer 50:33 Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

The children of Israel and the children of Judah were oppressed together:

and all that took them captives held them fast;

they refused to let them go.

Jer 50:34 Their Redeemer is strong:

the LORD of hosts is his name:

he shall throughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the land,

and disquiet the inhabitants of **Babylon**.

Jer 50:35 A sword is upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD,

and upon the inhabitants of Babylon,

and upon her princes, and upon her wise men.

Jer 50:36 A sword *is* upon **the liars**; and they shall dote [become fools]: a sword *is* upon her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed. Jer 50:37 A sword *is* upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all the mingled people that *are* in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword *is* upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed. Jer 50:38 A drought *is* upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it *is* the land of graven images, and they are mad upon *their* idols.

Jer 50:39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein:

and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation. Jer 50:40 *As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour cities thereof*, saith the LORD;

so shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.

Jer 50:41 Behold, a people shall come from the north,

and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

Jer 50:42 They shall hold the bow and the lance:
they are cruel, and will not shew mercy:
their voice shall roar like the sea,
and they shall ride upon horses,
every one put in array,
like a man to the battle,
against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

Jer 50:43 The king of **Babylon** hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.

Jer 50:44 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man*, *that* I may appoint over her?

for who *is* like me? and who will appoint me the time? and who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me? Jer 50:45

Therefore hear ye the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of the Chaldeans:

Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make *their* habitation desolate with them. Jer 50:46 At the noise of the taking of **Babylon** the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations.

### Jer 51:1 Thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I will raise up against **Babylon**, and against them that dwell in the midst of them that rise up against me,

a destroying wind;

Jer 51:2 And will send unto **Babylon** fanners, that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

Jer 51:3 Against *him that* bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against *him that* lifteth himself up in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; destroy ye utterly all her host. Jer 51:4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the **Chaldeans**, and *they that are* thrust through in her streets.

Jer 51:5 For Israel *hath* not *been* forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts; though their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.

Jer 51:6 Flee out of the midst of **Babylon**, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD'S vengeance; he will render unto her a recompense.

Jer 51:7 **Babylon** *hath been* a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad

Note: Rev\_17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

Jer 51:8 **Babylon** is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

Jer 51:9 We would have healed **Babylon**, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go every one into his own country:

for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up *even* to the skies.

Jer 51:10 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in **Zion** the work of the LORD our God.

Jer 51:11 Make bright the arrows; gather the shields:

the LORD hath raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes:

for his device is against **Babylon**, to destroy it;

because it is the vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his temple.

Jer 51:12 Set up the standard upon the walls of **Babylon**,

make the watch strong, set up the watchmen, prepare the ambushes:

for the LORD hath both devised and done

that which he spake against the inhabitants of **Babylon**.

Jer 51:13 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures,

thine end is come, *and* the measure of thy covetousness.

Note: Rev\_17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

Jer 51:14 The LORD of hosts hath sworn by himself, *saying*, Surely I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers; and they shall lift up a shout against thee.

Jer 51:15 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding.

Jer 51:16 When he uttereth *his* voice, *there is* a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth:

he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.

Jer 51:17 Every man is brutish by *his* knowledge; every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image *is* falsehood, and *there is* no breath in them.

Jer 51:18 They *are* vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

Jer 51:19 The portion of Jacob *is* not like them; for he *is* the former of all things: and *Israel is* the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts *is* his name.

Jer 51:20 Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war:

- for with thee will I break in pieces the nations,
- and with thee will I destroy kingdoms;
- Jer 51:21 And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider;
- and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;
- Jer 51:22 With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman;
- and with thee will I break in pieces old and young;
- and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;
- Jer 51:23 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock;
- and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen;
- and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

Jer 51:24 And I will render unto **Babylon** and to all the inhabitants of **Chaldea** all their evil that they have done in **Zion** in your sight, saith the LORD.

Jer 51:25 Behold, I am against thee,

O destroying mountain, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth:

and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt mountain.

Jer 51:26 And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations;

<u>but thou shalt be desolate for ever,</u> saith the LORD.

Jer 51:27 Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her,

call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her;

cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.

Jer 51:28 Prepare against her the nations with the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.

Jer 51:29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow:

for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed against Babylon,

to make the land of **Babylon** a desolation without an inhabitant.

Jer 51:30 The mighty men of **Babylon** have forborn to fight,

they have remained in *their* holds:

their might hath failed;

they became as women:

they have burned her dwellingplaces;

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her bars are broken.
Jer 51:31 One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another,
to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken at one end,
Jer 51:32 And that the passages are stopped,
and the reeds they have burned with fire,
and the men of war are affrighted.
Jer 51:33 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;
The daughter of Babylon is like a threshingfloor, it is time to thresh her:
yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall come.
Jer 51:34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me,
he hath made me an empty vessel,
he hath swallowed me up like a dragon,
he hath filled his belly with my delicates,
he hath cast me out.
Jer 51:35
The violence done to me and to my flesh be upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion say;
and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.
Jer 51:36 Therefore thus saith the LORD;
Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee;
and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.
Jer 51:37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons,
an astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.
Jer 51:38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall yell as lions' whelps.
Jer 51:39 In their heat I will make their feasts,
and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice,
and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake,
saith the LORD.
Jer 51:40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.
Jer 51:41 How is Sheshach taken!
and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised!
how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!
Jer 51:42 The sea is come up upon Babylon: (note verse 27: Medes, Persians, Ararat, Minni and
Ashkenaz)
she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.
Jer 51:43 Her cities are a desolation,
a dry land, and a wilderness,
a land wherein no man dwelleth,
neither doth any son of man pass thereby.
Jer 51:44 And I will punish Bel in Babylon,
and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up:
and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him:
yea, the wall of Babylon shall fall.
Jer 51:45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her,
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and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land;

Jer 51:46 And lest your heart faint,

a rumour shall both come *one* year, and after that in *another* year *shall come* a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

Jer 51:47 Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will do judgment upon the graven images of **Babylon**:

and her whole land shall be confounded,

and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.

Jer 51:48 Then the heaven and the earth, and all that *is* therein, shall sing for [shout for joy over] **Babylon**: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north, saith the LORD.

Jer 51:49 As **Babylon** hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at **Babylon** shall fall the slain of all the earth.

Jer 51:50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

Jer 51:51 We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD'S house.

Jer 51:52 Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.

Jer 51:53 Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, yet from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD.

Jer 51:54 A sound of a cry *cometh* from **Babylon**, and great destruction from **the land of the Chaldeans**:
Jer 51:55 Because the LORD hath spoiled **Babylon**, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:
Jer 51:56 Because the spoiler is come upon her, *even* upon **Babylon**, and her mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken:
for the LORD God of recompences shall surely requite [repay].

Jer 51:57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise *men*, her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.

Jer 51:58 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary.

#### Jer 51:61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah,

When thou comest to **Babylon**, and shalt see, and shalt read all these words; Jer 51:62 Then shalt thou say,

O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be desolate for ever.

Jer 51:63 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, that thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates: Jer 51:64 And thou shalt say,

Thus shall **Babylon** sink, and shall not rise from the evil [calamity] that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary.

Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

## A Description of four Cherubim

## Year 5-Month ?- Day 5 of King Jehoiachin's exile and 5<sup>th</sup> year of king Zedekiah

Ezekiel 1:2 In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,
Eze 1:3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the
Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

Eze 1:4 And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

Eze 1:5 Also out of the midst thereof *came* the likeness of four living creatures (note: Cherubim).

this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

Eze 1:6 And every one had four faces,

- and every one had four wings.
- Eze 1:7 And their feet were straight feet;
- and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot:
- and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.

Eze 1:8 And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides;

#### and they four had their faces and their wings.

- Eze 1:9 Their wings were joined one to another;
- they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

Eze 1:10 As for the likeness of their faces,

- they four had the face of a man,
- and the face of a **lion**, on the right side:
- and they four had the face of an **ox** on the left side;
- they four also had the face of an eagle.

Eze 1:11 Thus were their faces:

#### and their wings

- were stretched upward;
- two wings of every one were joined one to another,
- and two covered their bodies.

#### Eze 1:12 And they went every one straight forward:

whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went.

#### Eze 1:13 As for the likeness of the living creatures

their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.

Eze 1:14 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

#### A wheel beside each cherub

Eze 1:15 Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold **one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.** 

#### Eze 1:16 The appearance of the wheels and their work

- was like unto the colour of a beryl:
- and they four had one likeness:
- and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.
- Eze 1:17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: and they turned not when they went.

#### Eze 1:18 As for their rings,

- they were so high that they were dreadful:
- and their rings were full of eyes round about them four.
- Eze 1:19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them:
- and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.
- Eze 1:20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go;
- and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.
- Eze 1:21 When those went, *these* went;
- and when those stood, *these* stood;
- and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them:

for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.

## The expanse over the cherubim

#### Eze 1:22 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature

was as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

#### Eze 1:23 And under the firmament were

their wings straight, the one toward the other:

every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

Eze 1:24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings,

- like the noise of great waters,
- as the voice of the Almighty,
- the voice of speech, as the noise of an host:

when they stood, they let down their wings.

Eze 1:25 And there was a voice from the firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood, *and* had let down their wings.

Eze 1:26 And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone:

and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

- Eze 1:27 And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward,
- and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire,
- and it had brightness round about.
  - Eze 1:28a As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about.
  - o This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD.

### Ezekiel called to warn the stubborn, obstinate, rebellious exiles of Israel

Eze 1:28b And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

Eze 2:1 And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.

Eze 2:2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me.

Eze 2:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee

- to the children of Israel,
- to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me:
- they and their fathers have transgressed against me, even unto this very day.
- Eze 2:4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them;

and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 2:5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they *are* a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

Eze 2:6 And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though

briers and thorns be with thee,

and thou dost dwell among scorpions:

be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks,

though they be a rebellious house.

Eze 2:7 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they are most rebellious.

Eze 2:8 But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee;

Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house:

open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee.

Eze 2:9 And when I looked, behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, lo, a roll [scroll] of a book was therein;

Eze 2:10 And he spread it before me;

and it was written within and without:

and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

#### Eze 3:1 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man,

eat that thou findest; eat this roll [scroll], and go speak unto the house of Israel.

Eze 3:2 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll [scroll].

Eze 3:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this **roll [scroll]** that I give thee. Then did I eat *it*; and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.

Eze 3:4 And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto **the house of Israel**, and speak with my words unto them.

- Eze 3:5 For thou *art* not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, *but* to **the house of Israel**:
- Eze 3:6 Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand.

But I have sent you to them who should listen to you; (NASV)

Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee. (KJV)

Eze 3:7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel are impudent and hardhearted.

Eze 3:8 Behold, I have made

hy face strong against their faces,

and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

Eze 3:9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead:

fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

Eze 3:10 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

Eze 3:11 And go, get thee to **them of the captivity**, unto **the children of thy people**, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the LORD GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.

Eze 3:12 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the glory of the LORD from his place.

Eze 3:13 I heard also

- the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another,
- and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

Eze 3:14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away,

#### and I went

- in bitterness, in the heat [rage] of my spirit;
- but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

#### Eze 3:15 Then I came to them of the captivity at Telabib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar,

and I sat there seven days where they were living,	and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished
causing consternation among them. (NASV)	among them seven days. (KJV)

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Eze 3:16 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 3:17 Son of man.

I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

Eze 3:18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die;

- and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
- Eze 3:19 Yet **if thou warn the wicked**, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but *thou hast delivered thy soul*.

Eze 3:20 Again, When a righteous *man* doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die:

- **because thou hast not given him warning,** he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; *but his blood will I require at thine hand*.
- Eze 3:21 Nevertheless **if thou warn the righteous** *man*, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; *also thou hast delivered thy soul*.

Eze 3:22a And the hand of the LORD was there upon me;

Eze 3:22b aand he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.

Eze 3:23 Then I arose, and went forth into the plain:

and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face.

Eze 3:24 Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.

Eze 3:25 But thou, O son of man, behold,

- they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:
- Eze 3:26 And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them a reprover: for they *are* a rebellious house.

Eze 3:27 But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them,
Thus saith the LORD GOD;

He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear [refuse]: for they are a rebellious house.

## Modeling a Siege against Jerusalem

Eze 4:1 Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile [brick], and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, even Jerusalem:

Eze 4:2 And lay siege against it,

- and build a fort against it,
- and cast a mount against it;
- set the camp also against it,
- and set battering rams against it round about.

Eze 4:3 Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and the city:

and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This *shall be* a sign to **the house of Israel.** 

### Bearing the iniquity of Israel

#### Eze 4:4 Lie thou also upon thy left side,

- and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it:
- according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.

Eze 4:5 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days:

so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.

## Bearing the iniquity of Judah

Eze 4:6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side,

- and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days:
- I have appointed thee each day for a year.

Eze 4:7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward **the siege of Jerusalem**, and thine arm *shall be* uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

Eze 4:8 And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.

## Bearing the iniquity of Israel con't

Eze 4:9 Take thou also unto thee

wheat,

and barley,

and beans,

and lentiles,

and millet,

and fitches [spelt],

and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof,

according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.

Eze 4:10 And thy meat [food] which thou shalt eat *shall be* by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

Eze 4:11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.

Note: 20 Shekels = roughly 10 ounces, 1 hin = roughly 5 liters

Eze 4:12 And thou shalt eat it *as* barley cakes, <u>and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.</u>

Eze 4:13 And the LORD said, Even thus shall **the children of Israel** eat their defiled bread among **the Gentiles**, whither I will drive them.

Eze 4:14 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten

- of that which dieth of itself,
- or is torn in pieces;
- neither came there abominable flesh

into my mouth.

Eze 4:15 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

Eze 4:16 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem:

- and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care [anxiety];
- and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment [horror]:

Eze 4:17 That they may want bread and water **[bread and water will be scarce]**, and be astonied [appalled] one with another, and consume [waste] away for their iniquity.

## Dividing Ezekiel's hair into three parts

#### Eze 5:1 And thou, son of man,

take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, and cause *it* to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances **to weigh, and divide the** *hair*.

- Eze 5:2 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled:
- and thou shalt take a third part, and smite about it with a knife:
- and a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind;

and I will draw out a sword after them.

Eze 5:3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts [edges of your robes].

Eze 5:4 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; *for* thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.

#### Punishments and reasons for them

#### Eze 5:5 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

This is Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her.

Eze 5:6 And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that *are* round about her: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.

#### Eze 5:13 Thus

- shall mine anger be accomplished,
- and I will cause my fury to rest upon them,
- and I will be comforted:

and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken it in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them.

#### Eze 5:7 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### Because

- ye multiplied more {turmoil} than the nations that *are* round about you,
- and have not walked in my statutes,
- neither have kept my judgments,
- neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that *are* round about **you**;

#### Eze 5:8 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I, even I, *am* against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.

Eze 5:9 And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations.

#### Eze 5:10 Therefore

- the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee,
- and the sons shall eat their fathers;
- and I will execute judgments in thee,
- and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the winds.

#### Eze 5:11 Wherefore, as I live, saith the LORD GOD; Surely,

because thou hast defiled my sanctuary

- with all thy detestable things,
- and with all thine abominations,

#### therefore

- will I also diminish *thee*:
- neither shall **mine eye** spare,
- neither will I have any pity.
- Eze 5:12 **A third** part of thee shall die with the **pestilence**, and with **famine** shall they be consumed in the midst of thee:
- and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee;
- and I will scatter a third part into all the winds,
- and I will draw out a sword after them.

#### Eze 5:14 Moreover

I will make thee

- waste,
- and a reproach

among the nations that are round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.

#### Eze 5:15 So it shall be

- a reproach
- and a taunt,
- an instruction
- and an astonishment

unto the nations that are round about thee,

when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes.

#### I the LORD have spoken it.

#### Eze 5:16

#### When

• I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for *their* destruction, *and* which I will send to destroy you:

#### and [then]

• I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread:

#### Eze 5:17 So will I send upon you

- famine
- and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee;
- and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee;
- and I will bring the **sword** upon thee.

## I the LORD have spoken it.

## Shattering idolotry

Eze 6:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 6:2 Son of man,

set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,

Eze 6:3 And say,

Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD GOD;

#### Thus saith the LORD GOD to

- the mountains,
- and to the hills,
- to the rivers.
- and to the valleys;

#### Behold, I, even I,

- will bring a **sword** upon you,
- and I will destroy your high places.
  - o Eze 6:4 And your altars shall be desolate,
  - o and your **images** shall be broken:
  - o and I will cast down your slain *men* before your idols.
  - Eze 6:5 And I will lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before their idols:
  - o and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

#### Eze 6:6

#### In all your dwellingplaces

- the cities shall be laid waste,
- and the high places shall be desolate;

#### that

- your **altars** may be laid waste and made desolate,
- and your idols may be broken and cease,
- and your **images** may be cut down,

and your works may be abolished.

Eze 6:7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you,

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

## A remnant will escape and repent

#### Eze 6:8 Yet will I leave a remnant,

that ye may have *some* that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

Eze 6:9 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives.

#### because I am broken

- with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me,
- and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols:

and they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations.

#### Eze 6:10 And they shall know that I am the LORD,

and that I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them.

## Summary of the three judgments to come

Eze 6:11 Thus saith the LORD GOD; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say,

Alas for all the evil abominations of **the house of Israel!** for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

- Eze 6:12 He that is far off shall die of the **pestilence**;
- and he that is near shall fall by the **sword**;
- and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine:

#### thus

will I accomplish my fury upon them.

Eze 6:13 Then shall ye know that I am the LORD,

#### wher

their slain men shall be among their idols round about their altars,

- upon every high hill,
- in all the tops of the mountains,
- and under every green tree,
- and under every thick oak,

the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols.

Eze 6:14 So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

## According to your ways the judgments come very soon

Eze 7:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 7:2 Also, thou son of man,

thus saith the LORD GOD unto the land of Israel;

An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land.

Eze 7:3 Now is the end come upon thee,

and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

Eze 7:4 And **mine eye** shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

#### Eze 7:5 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

An evil, an only evil [unique disaster], behold, is come.

Eze 7:6 An end is come, the end is come:

it watcheth for thee; behold, it is come.

Eze 7:7 The morning [your doom] is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land:

#### the time is come, the day of trouble is near,

and not the sounding again of the mountains.

Eze 7:8 Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

Eze 7:9 And **mine eye** shall not spare, neither will I have pity:

I will recompense thee **according to** thy ways and thine abominations that are in the midst of thee;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD that smiteth.

#### Eze 7:10 Behold the day, behold, it is come:

the morning [your doom] is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed,

- pride hath budded.
- Eze 7:11 Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness:

none of them shall remain,

- nor of their multitude,
- nor of any of theirs:
- neither *shall there be* wailing for them.

#### Eze 7:12 The time is come, the day draweth near:

let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn:

for wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.

Eze 7:13 For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they were yet alive: for the vision is touching the [Israel's] whole multitude thereof, which shall not return; neither shall any strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life.

Eze 7:14 They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready;

- but none goeth to the battle:
- for my wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.
- Eze 7:15 The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within:

he that *is* in the field shall die with the **sword**;

and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.

Eze 7:16 But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity.

Eze 7:17 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak *as* water.

Eze 7:18 They shall also gird *themselves* with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame *shall be* upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.

Eze 7:19 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD:

they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels:

because it is the stumblingblock of their iniquity.

- Eze 7:20 As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty:
- but they made the images of their abominations and of their detestable things therein:

therefore have I set it far from them [therefore I will make it as an unclean thing to them].

Eze 7:21 And I will give it

- into the hands of the strangers for a prey,
- and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil;

and they shall pollute it.

Eze 7:22 My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret *place*: for the robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

#### Note:

**NASV** 

<u>Psa\_27:5</u> For in the day of trouble He will conceal me in **His tabernacle**; In the secret place of **His tent** He will hide me; He will lift me up on a rock.

<u>Psa\_27:6</u> And now my head will be lifted up above my enemies around me; And I will offer in **His tent** sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the <u>LORD</u>.

Psa 31:20 Thou dost hide them in the secret place of Thy presence from the conspiracies of man; Thou dost keep them secretly in a shelter from the strife of tongues.

KJV:

<u>Isa</u> 28:17 "And I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the level; Then hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters shall overflow the secret place. KJV:

<u>Psa\_18:11</u> He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him *were* dark waters *and* thick clouds of the skies.

<u>Psa\_81:7</u> Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah.

<u>Psa\_91:1</u> He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

<u>Psa 32:7</u> Thou *art* my **hiding place**; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

Psa 119:114 Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.

<u>Isa</u> 28:17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the **hiding place**.

## Utter destruction, rulers confounded

#### Eze 7:23 Make a chain:

- for the land is full of bloody crimes,
- and the city is full of violence.

#### Eze 7:24 Wherefore

- I will bring the worst of the heathen {nations}, and they shall possess their houses:
- I will also make the pomp of the strong to cease; and their holy places shall be defiled.
- Eze 7:25 Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and there shall be none.
- Eze 7:26 Mischief shall come upon mischief,
- and rumour shall be upon rumour;

#### then

- shall they seek a vision of the prophet;
- but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.
- Eze 7:27 The king shall mourn,
- and the prince shall be clothed with desolation,
- and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled:

I will do unto them after their way, and according to their deserts [jujdgments] will I judge them;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

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## Vision of the Temple filled with Abominations

Eze 8:1 And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the LORD GOD fell there upon me.

Eze 8:2 Then I beheld, and lo

a likeness {of a man} as the appearance of fire:

- from the appearance of his loins even **downward**, fire;
- and from his loins even **upward**, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber.

Eze 8:3 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head;

and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven,

and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem,

to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north;

- where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.
- Eze 8:4 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there,

according to the vision that I saw in the plain. (Ezekiel Chapter 1)

Eze 8:5 Then said he unto me,

Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north.

So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry.

Eze 8:6 He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? *even* the great abominations that **the house of Israel** committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary?

but turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations.

Eze 8:7

## And he brought me to the door of the court;

and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

Eze 8:8 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall:

and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

Eze 8:9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.

Eze 8:10 So I went in and saw; and behold

- every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts,
- and all the idols of the house of Israel,

pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

Eze 8:11 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel,

- and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan,
- with every man his censer in his hand;
- and a thick cloud of incense went up.

Eze 8:12 Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

Eze 8:13 He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

# Then he brought me to the door of the gate of **the LORD'S house** which was toward the north;

and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

#### Note: From Wikipedia

In Babylonia, the month Tammuz was established in honor of the eponymous god Tammuz, who originated as a Sumerian shepherd-god, Dumuzid or Dumuzi, the consort of <u>Inanna</u> and, in his Akkadian form, the parallel consort of <u>Ishtar</u>. The <u>Levantine Adonis</u> ("lord"), who was drawn into the Greek pantheon, was considered by <u>Joseph Campbell</u> among others to be another counterpart of Tammuz, <sup>[1]</sup> son and consort. The Aramaic name "Tammuz" seems to have been derived from the Akkadian form *Tammuzi*, based on early Sumerian *Damu-zid*. [citation needed] The later standard Sumerian form, *Dumu-zid*, in turn became *Dumuzi* in Akkadian.

Beginning with the <u>summer solstice</u> came a time of mourning in the Ancient Near East, as in the Aegean: the Babylonians marked the decline in daylight hours and the onset of killing summer heat and drought with a six-day "funeral" for the god. Recent discoveries reconfirm him as an annual <u>life-death-rebirth deity</u>: tablets discovered in 1963 show that Dumuzi was in fact consigned to the Underworld himself, in order to secure Inanna's release, though the recovered final line reveals that he is to revive for six months of each year (*see below*).

In <u>cult practice</u>, the dead Tammuz was widely mourned in the Ancient Near East. Locations associated in antiquity with the site of his death include both <u>Harran</u> and <u>Byblos</u>, among others. A Sumerian tablet from <u>Nippur</u> (Ni 4486) reads:

She can make the lament for you, my Dumuzid, the lament for you, the lament, the lamentation, reach the desert — she can make it reach the house Arali; she can make it reach <u>Bad-tibira</u>; she can make it reach Dul-šuba; she can make it reach the shepherding country, the sheepfold of Dumuzid

"O Dumuzid of the fair-spoken mouth, of the ever kind eyes," she sobs tearfully, "O you of the fair-spoken mouth, of the ever kind eyes," she sobs tearfully. "Lad, husband, lord, sweet as the date, [...] O Dumuzid!" she sobs, she sobs tearfully. [3]

These mourning ceremonies were observed even at the very door of the <u>Temple in Jerusalem</u> in a vision the Israelite prophet <u>Ezekiel</u> was given, which serves as a Biblical prophecy which expresses Yahweh's message at His people's apostate worship of idols:

"Then he brought me to the door of the gate of **the LORD'S house** which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz. Then said he unto to me, 'Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these." —<u>Ezekiel</u> 8:14-15

Ezekiel's testimony is the only direct mention of Tammuz in the Hebrew Bible.

Source: Wikipedia

Eze 8:15 Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

## Eze 8:16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house,

and, behold, at **the door of the temple of the LORD**, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men,

- with their backs toward the temple of the LORD,
- and their faces toward the east;
- and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

#### Eze 8:17 Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man?

Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here?

- for they have filled the land with violence,
- and have returned to provoke me to anger:
- and, lo, they put **the branch** to their nose.

#### Eze 8:18 Therefore

- will I also deal in fury:
- mine eye shall not spare,
- neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, *yet* will I not hear them.

#### Eze 9:1 He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying,

Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand.

Eze 9:2 And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand;

and one man among them

- was clothed with linen,
- with a writer's inkhorn by his side:

and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.

#### Eze 9:3 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up

- from the cherub, whereupon he was,
- to the threshold of the house.

#### And he called to the man

- clothed with linen,
- which *had* the writer's inkhorn by his side;

#### Eze 9:4 And the LORD said unto him,

Go through the midst of the city,

through the midst of Jerusalem,

and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

#### Eze 9:5 And to the others he said in mine hearing,

Go ye after him through the city, and smite:

let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:

#### Eze 9:6 Slav utterly

- old and young,
- both maids, and little children,
- and women:

but come not near any man upon whom is the mark;

and begin at my sanctuary.

Then they began at the ancient men [elders] which were before the house.

Eze 9:7 And he said unto them,

Defile the house,

and fill the courts with the slain:

go ye forth.

And they went forth, and slew in the city.

Eze 9:8 And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said,

Ah Lord GOD!

wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

Eze 9:9 Then said he unto me.

The iniquity of the house of **Israel** and **Judah** is exceeding great,

- and the land is full of blood,
- and the city full of perverseness:
- for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.

Eze 9:10 And as for me also,

- **mine eye** shall not spare, neither will I have pity,
- but I will recompense their way upon their head.

Eze 9:11 And, behold, the man

clothed with linen,

which had the inkhorn by his side,

reported the matter, saving, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

## Vision of the whirling wheels

Eze 10:1 Then I looked, and, behold,

in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims

there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

Eze 10:2 And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said,

- Go in between the wheels, even under the cherub,
- and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims,
- and scatter *them* over **the city**.

And he went in in my sight.

Eze 10:3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in;

and the cloud filled the inner court.

Eze 10:4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud,

and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.

Eze 10:5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard *even* to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.

Eze 10:6 And it came to pass, *that* when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between **the wheels**, from between **the cherubims**; then he went in, and stood beside **the wheels**.

Eze 10:7 And **one cherub** stretched forth his hand from between **the cherubims** unto the fire that *was* between **the cherubims**, and took *thereof*, and put *it* into the hands of *him that was* clothed with linen: who took *it*, and went

out.  Compare with chapter 1		
Eze 10:8 And there appeared in <b>the cherubims</b> the form of a man's hand under their wings.	Eze 1:8a And <i>they had</i> the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides;	
Eze 10:9a And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by	Eze 1:15 Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.	
another cherub:  Eze 10:9b and the appearance of the wheels  • was as the colour of a beryl stone.  Note: Beryl was a stone believed to have been imported from Tarshish. Source: jewishencyclopedia.com	Eze 1:16a The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl:	
<ul> <li>Eze 10:10 And as for their appearances,</li> <li>they four had one likeness,</li> <li>as if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel.</li> </ul>	Eze 1:16 The appearance of the wheels and their work  • was like unto the colour of a beryl: • and they four had one likeness: • and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.	
Eze 10:11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; • they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; • they turned not as they went.	Eze 1:12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went;  • and they turned not when they went.	
Eze 10:12a And  • their whole body,  • and their backs,  • and their hands,  • and their wings,  • and the wheels,  were full of eyes round about,  Eze 10:12b even the wheels that they four had.  Eze 10:13 As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O {whirling} wheel.	Eze 1:18 As for their rings,  • they were so high that they were dreadful;  • and their rings were full of eyes round about them four.  Rev 4:6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.  Rev 4:8 (Seraphim) And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.	

#### Note:

Zec 3:9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon **one stone** *shall be* **seven eyes:** behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

Rev 5:6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

Zec 4:10 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

Amo 9:8 Behold, the eyes of the LORD GOD are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD.

Isa 1:15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide **mine eyes** from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.

Isa 11:3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

Isa 37:17 Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open **thine eyes**, O LORD, and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproach the living God.

Jer 24:6 For I will set **mine eyes** upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will plant them, and not pulck *them* up.

Gen 6:8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

Deu 11:12 A land which the LORD thy God careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

Psa 5:5 The foolish shall not stand in **thy sight:** thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

Psa 11:4 The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD'S throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

Psa 34:15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

Psa 66:7 He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

Pro 5:21 For the ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Pro 15:3 The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

Pro 22:12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the transgressor.

Rev 1:14 His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

Rev 2:18 And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath **his eyes** like unto a flame of fire, and his feet *are* like fine brass;

Rev 4:6 And before the throne *there was* a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, *were* four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

Rev 4:8 (Seraphim) And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him;* and *they were* **full of eyes within:** and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

Rev 19:12 **His eyes were as a flame of fire,** and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

Eze 10:14 And every one had four faces:

- the first face was the face of a **cherub**.
- and the second face was the face of a man,
- and the third the face of a lion,
- and the fourth the face of an **eagle**.

Discrepancy compared to Ezekiel chapter 1: bull/ox(H7794) vs cherub (H3742) Both Hebrew words are vague

Eze 10:15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This *is* the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar.

#### Eze 1:10 As for the likeness of their faces,

- they four had the face of a man,
- and the face of a **lion**, on the right side:
- and they four had the face of an **ox** on the left side:
- they four also had the face of an eagle.

Eze 1:11a Thus were their faces:

Eze 1:2 In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,

Eze 1:3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

- Eze 10:16 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them:
- and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them.
- Eze 10:17 When they stood, *these* stood;
- and when they were lifted up, *these* lifted up themselves *also*:

for the spirit of the living creature was in them.

- Eze 1:19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them:
- and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.
- Eze 1:20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went,
- thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.
- Eze 1:21 When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood;
- and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them:

for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.

Eze 10:18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.

Eze 10:19 And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, and every one stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house;

and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.

#### **Quick summary of the Cheribim**

Eze 10:20 This is the living creature [these are the living creatures] that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they were the cherubims.

- Eze 10:21 Every one had four faces apiece,
- and every one four wings;
- and the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings.
- Eze 10:22 And the likeness of their faces was the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar,
- their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

## Eze 11:1 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward:

and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw

- Jaazaniah the son of Azur,
- and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah,

princes of the people.

#### Eze 11:2 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these are the men

- that devise mischief,
- and give wicked counsel in this city:
- Eze 11:3 Which say,
  - o It is not near; let us build houses:
  - o this *city is* the caldron,
  - o and we be the flesh.

Eze 11:4 Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.

## Eze 11:5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak;

#### Thus saith the LORD;

Thus have ye said, **O house of Israel:** for I know the things that come into your mind, *every one of* them.

Eze 11:6 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain.

Eze 11:7 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they *are* the flesh, and this *city* is the caldron:

but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.

Eze 11:8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 11:9 And I will bring you out of **the midst thereof**, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

Eze 11:10 Ye shall fall by the sword;
I will judge you in the border of Israel;

#### and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 11:11 This *city* shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; *but* I will judge you in the border of Israel:

#### Eze 11:12 And ye shall know that I am the LORD:

for ye have not walked in **my statutes**, neither executed **my judgments**, but have done after **the manners of** the heathen that *are* round about you.

Eze 11:13 And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died.

Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said,

Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?

Eze 11:14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Eze 11:15 Son of man,

- thy brethren,
- even thy brethren,
- the men of thy kindred,
- and all the house of Israel wholly,

are they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.

Eze 11:16 Therefore say,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

- Although I have cast them far off among the heathen,
- and although I have scattered them among the countries,
- yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.

Eze 11:17 Therefore say,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

- I will even gather you from the people,
- and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered,
- and I will give you the land of Israel.

Eze 11:18

And they shall come thither,

- and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence.
- Eze 11:19 And I will give them **one heart**,
- and I will put a new spirit within you;
- and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:
- Eze 11:20 That they may
  - o walk in my statutes,
  - o and keep mine ordinances,
  - o and do them:

and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

Eze 11:21 But

• as for them whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 11:22 Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.

Eze 11:23 And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city.

Eze 11:24 Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity.

So the vision that I had seen went up from me.

Eze 11:25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

#### Eze 12:1 The word of the LORD also came unto me, saying,

Eze 12:2 Son of man,

thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have

- eyes to see, and {deliberately} see not;
- they have ears to hear, and {deliberately} hear not:

for they *are* a rebellious house.

Eze 12:3 Therefore, thou son of man,

- prepare thee stuff for removing [baggage for exile],
- and remove by day in their sight;
- and thou shalt remove from thy place to another place in their sight:

it may be they will consider, though they be a rebellious house.

- Eze 12:4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing:
- and thou shalt go forth at even in their sight, as they that go forth into captivity.
- Eze 12:5 Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.
- Eze 12:6 In their sight shalt thou bear it upon thy shoulders, and carry it forth in the twilight:
- thou shalt cover thy face, that thou see not the ground:

for I have set thee for a sign unto the house of Israel.

#### Eze 12:7 And I did so as I was commanded:

- I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity,
- and in the even I digged through the wall with mine hand;
- I brought it forth in the twilight, and I bare it upon my shoulder in their sight.

#### Eze 12:8 And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

Eze 12:9 Son of man,

hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?

Eze 12:10 Say thou unto them,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

This burden *concerneth* the prince in Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that *are* among them.

#### Eze 12:11 Say,

I am your sign:

like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them:

• they shall remove and go into captivity.

- Eze 12:12 And the prince that *is* among them shall bear upon *his* shoulder in the twilight, and shall go forth:
- they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby:
- he shall cover his face, that he see not the ground with his eyes.

Eze 12:13 My net also will I spread upon **him**, and he shall be taken in my snare: and I will bring **him** to **Babylon** *to* **the land of the Chaldeans**;

yet shall **he** not see it, though **he** shall die there.

Eze 12:14 And I will scatter toward every wind all that are about him

- to help him, [his helpers]
- and all his bands; [all his troops]

and I will draw out the sword after them.

Eze 12:15 And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

Eze 12:16 But I will leave a few men of them from

- the sword.
- from the famine,
- and from the pestilence;

that they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they come;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 12:17 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

Eze 12:18 Son of man,

- eat thy bread with quaking,
- and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;

Eze 12:19 And say unto the people of the land,

Thus saith the LORD GOD

#### of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and of the land of Israel;

- They shall eat their bread with carefulness,
- and drink their water with astonishment,

that her land may be desolate from all that is therein, because of the violence of all them that dwell therein.

Eze 12:20 And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 12:21 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 12:22 Son of man,

what is that proverb that ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are prolonged, and every vision faileth?

Eze 12:23 Tell them therefore,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel;

but say unto them,

The days are at hand, and the effect of every vision.

Eze 12:24 For there shall be no more

- any vain vision
- nor flattering divination

within the house of Israel.

Eze 12:25 For I am the LORD: I will speak,

## and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged:

for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 12:26 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Eze 12:27 Son of man,

behold, they of the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth

- is for many days to come,
- and he prophesieth of the times that are far off.

Eze 12:28 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### There shall none of my words be prolonged any more,

but the word which I have spoken shall be done,

saith the LORD GOD.

## Prophesy against the False Prophets / Witches

Eze 13:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 13:2 Son of man,

prophesy against **the prophets of Israel** that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

Eze 13:3 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! Eze 13:4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

- Eze 13:5 Ye have not gone up into the gaps,
- neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.
- Eze 13:6 They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made *others* to hope that they would confirm the word.

Eze 13:7 Have ye not seen a **vain vision**, and have ye not spoken a **lying divination**, whereas ye say, The LORD saith *it*; albeit I have not spoken?

Eze 13:8 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I *am* against you, saith the LORD GOD.

- Eze 13:9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies:
- they shall not be in the assembly of my people,
- neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel,
- neither shall they enter into the land of Israel;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD GOD.

- Eze 13:10 Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and *there was* no peace;
- and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered morter:
- Eze 13:11 Say unto them which daub it with untempered morter,
  - o that it shall fall:
  - o there shall be an overflowing shower;
  - o and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall;
  - o and a stormy wind shall rend it.
- Eze 13:12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where *is* the daubing wherewith ye have daubed *it*?

#### Eze 13:13 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my fury;

and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in my fury to consume it

Eze 13:14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered morter,

- and bring it down to the ground,
- so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered,
- and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 13:15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered morter,

and will say unto you,

- The wall is no more, neither they that daubed it;
- Eze 13:16 To wit, the prophets of Israel
  - o which prophesy concerning **Jerusalem**,
  - o and which see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 13:17 Likewise, thou son of man,

set thy face against **the daughters of thy people**, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,

Eze 13:18 And say, '

#### Thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### Woe to the women

- that sew pillows to all armholes, [magic bands on all wrists]
- and make kerchiefs [veils] upon the head of every stature to hunt souls!
- Will ye hunt the souls of my people,
- and will ye save the souls alive *that come* unto you?

Eze 13:19 And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread.

- to slay the souls that should not die,
- and to save the souls alive that should not live,

by your lying to my people that hear your lies?

Eze 13:20 Wherefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### Behold,

- I *am* against your pillows [magic bands], wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make *them* fly,
- and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, *even* the souls that ye hunt to make *them* fly.
- Eze 13:21 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

#### Eze 13:22 Because

- with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad;
- and strengthened the hands of the wicked, <u>that he should not return from</u> his wicked way, by promising him life:

#### Eze 13:23 Therefore

- ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations:
- for I will deliver my people out of your hand:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 14:1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.

Eze 14:2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 14:3 Son of man,

these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

Eze 14:4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### Every man of the house of Israel

- that setteth up his idols in his heart,
- and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face,
- and cometh to the prophet;

I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

Eze 14:5 That I may take **the house of Israel** in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.

Eze 14:6 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols;

and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

Eze 14:7 For every **one of the house of Israel**, or of the stranger that sojourneth in **Israel**, which separateth himself from me,

- and setteth up his idols in his heart,
- and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face,
- and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me;

#### I the LORD will answer him by myself:

- Eze 14:8 And I will set my face against that man,
- and will make him a sign and a proverb,
- and I will cut him off from the midst of my people;

#### and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

#### Eze 14:9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing,

- I the LORD have deceived that prophet,
- and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.
- Eze 14:10 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity:
  - the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh unto him;

#### Eze 14:11 That the house of Israel

- may go no more astray from me,
- neither be polluted any more with all their transgressions;
- but that they may be my people, and I may be their God,

saith the LORD GOD.

## Intercession will not deliver a wicked nation that is too far gone into witchcraft

Eze 14:12 The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,

Eze 14:13 Son of man,

## when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously,

then will I stretch out mine hand upon it,

- and will break the staff of the bread thereof,
- and will send famine upon it,
- and will cut off man and beast from it:

Eze 14:14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it,

they should deliver *but* their own souls by their righteousness,

saith the LORD GOD.

#### Eze 14:15 If I cause noisome beasts to pass through the land,

- and they spoil it,
- so that it be desolate,
- that no man may pass through because of the beasts:

Eze 14:16 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the LORD GOD,

they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters;

they only shall be delivered,

but the land shall be desolate

Eze 14:17 Or *if* I bring a **sword** upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off man and beast from it:

Eze 14:18 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the LORD GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters,

but they only shall be delivered themselves.

Eze 14:19 Or if I send a pestilence into that land,

and pour out my fury upon it in blood,

to cut off from it man and beast:

Eze 14:20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the LORD GOD,

they shall deliver neither son nor daughter;

they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.

#### Eze 14:21 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem,

- the sword.
- and the famine,
- and the noisome beast,
- and the pestilence,

to cut off from it man and beast?

Eze 14:22 Yet, behold,

- therein shall be left a **remnant** that shall be brought forth, **both** sons and daughters:
- behold, they shall come forth unto you, and ye shall see their way and their doings:
  - o and ye shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon **Jerusalem**, *even* concerning all that I have brought upon it.
  - o Eze 14:23 And they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings:

and ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the LORD GOD.

#### The wicked of Jerusalem to be burned

Eze 15:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 15:2 Son of man,

What is **the vine tree** more than any tree, or than a branch which is among the trees of the forest?

- Eze 15:3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work?
- or will *men* take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?
- Eze 15:4 Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel;
- the fire devoureth both the ends of it,
- and the midst of it is burned.

Is it meet [useful] for any work?

Eze 15:5 Behold, when it was whole, it was meet [useful] for no work: how much less shall it be meet [useful] yet for *any* work,

when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned?

Eze 15:6 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give **the inhabitants of Jerusalem.** Eze 15:7 And I will set my face against them; they shall go out from *one* fire, and *another* fire shall devour them;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.

Eze 15:8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have committed a trespass [unfaithfulness],

saith the LORD GOD.

## Jerusalem's sins are far worse than her neighbors

Eze 16:1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 16:2 Son of man,

#### cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,

#### Eze 16:3 And say, Thus saith the LORD GOD unto Jerusalem;

Thy birth and thy nativity is of the land of Canaan;

- thy father was an Amorite,
- and thy mother an Hittite.

Eze 16:4 And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born

- thy navel was not cut,
- neither wast thou washed in water to supple *thee*;
- thou wast not salted at all,
- nor swaddled at all.

Eze 16:5 None eye pitied thee,

- to do any of these unto thee,
- to have compassion upon thee;

but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born.

Eze 16:6 And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood,

- I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live;
- yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live.
- Eze 16:7 I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field,

and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: *thy* breasts are fashioned,

and thine hair is grown, whereas [yet] thou *wast* naked and bare.

Eze 16:8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee,

behold, thy time was the time of love;

- and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness:
  - yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the LORD GOD, and thou becamest mine.

Eze 16:9 Then washed I thee with water;

yea, I throughly washed away thy blood from thee,

and I anointed thee with oil.

Eze 16:10 I clothed thee also with broidered work,

and shod thee with badgers' skin,

and I girded thee about with fine linen,

and I covered thee with silk.

Eze 16:11 I decked thee also with ornaments,

and I put bracelets upon thy hands,

and a chain [necklace] on thy neck.

Eze 16:12 And I put a jewel on thy forehead,

and earrings in thine ears,

and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

#### Eze 16:13 Thus

- wast thou decked with gold and silver;
- and thy raiment was of fine linen, and silk, and broidered work;
- thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil:
- and thou wast exceeding beautiful,
- and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.

Eze 16:14 And thy renown went forth among the heathen

- for thy beauty:
- for it was perfect through my comeliness, which I had put upon thee,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 16:15 But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown,

and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.

#### Eze 16:16 And of thy garments thou didst take,

and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon:

the like things shall not come, neither shall it be so.

Eze 16:17 Thou hast also taken thy **fair jewels** of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee,

and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,

Eze 16:18 And tookest thy **broidered garments**, and coveredst them:

- and thou hast set mine oil and mine incense before them.
- Eze 16:19 My meat [bread, food] also which I gave thee,
- fine flour, and oil, and honey, wherewith I fed thee,

thou hast even set it before them for a sweet savour: and thus it was,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 16:20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me

and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured. (note: a practice of witchcraft) *Is this* of thy whoredoms a small matter,

Eze 16:21 That thou hast slain my children,

and delivered them to cause them to pass through the fire for them?

Eze 16:22 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms

thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth,

when thou wast naked and bare, and wast polluted in thy blood.

Eze 16:23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness,

#### (woe, woe unto thee! saith the LORD GOD;)

Eze 16:24 *That* thou hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

Eze 16:25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way,

and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred,

and hast opened thy feet [spread your legs] to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.

Eze 16:26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh [your lustful neighbors]; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.

#### Eze 16:27 Behold, therefore

I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary *food*, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.

Eze 16:28 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.

Eze 16:29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto **Chaldea**; and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.

Eze 16:30 How weak is thine heart,

#### saith the LORD GOD,

seeing thou doest all these *things*, the work of an imperious whorish woman; Eze 16:31 In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;

Eze 16:32 But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

Eze 16:33 They give gifts to all whores:

• but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.

Eze 16:34 And the contrary is in thee from *other* women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms:

• and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

Eze 16:35 Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:

Eze 16:36 Thus saith the LORD GOD:

Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms

- with thy lovers,
- and with all the idols of thy abominations,
- and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them [idols];

#### Eze 16:37 Behold, therefore

I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all *them* that thou hast loved, with all *them* that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

Eze 16:38 And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

Eze 16:39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall

- throw down thine eminent place,
- and shall break down thy high places:
- they shall strip thee also of thy clothes,
- and shall take thy fair jewels,
- and leave thee naked and bare.

Eze 16:40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall

- stone thee with stones,
- and thrust thee through with their swords.
- Eze 16:41 And they shall burn thine houses with fire,
- and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women:

and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more.

Eze 16:42 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

Eze 16:43 **Because** thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all these *things*:

**behold**, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, saith the LORD GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.

Eze 16:44 Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* proverb against thee, saying, As *is* the mother, *so is* her daughter.

- Eze 16:45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children;
- and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children:
- your mother was an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.
- Eze 16:46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand [live north of you]:
- and thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, is **Sodom** and her daughters.
- Eze 16:47 Yet hast thou not {merely} walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, as if that were a very little thing, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.

#### Eze 16:48 As I live, saith the LORD GOD,

**Sodom thy sister** hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

Eze 16:49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom,

- pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.
- Eze 16:50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me:

therefore I took them away as I saw good[when I saw it].

Eze 16:51 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins;

but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they,

and hast justified thy sisters [made your sisters appear righteous] in all thine abominations which thou hast done.

Eze 16:52 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for **thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they:** they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.

Eze 16:53 When I shall bring again [restore from] their captivity,

- the captivity of Sodom and her daughters,
- and the captivity of **Samaria** and her daughters,
- then will I bring [restore from]again the captivity of thy captives in the midst of them:

Eze 16:54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them.

Eze 16:55 When thy sisters, **Sodom** and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and **Samaria** and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate.

Eze 16:56 For thy sister **Sodom** was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy pride, Eze 16:57 Before thy wickedness was discovered,

as at the time of thy reproach of

- the daughters of Syria [Aram],
- and all *that are* round about her,
- the daughters of the Philistines,

which despise thee round about.

Eze 16:58 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.

#### Eze 16:59 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised the oath in breaking **the covenant**.

Eze 16:60 Nevertheless I will remember **my covenant** with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.

Eze 16:61 Then

- thou shalt remember thy ways,
- and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger:
- and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not by thy covenant.

Eze 16:62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD:

Eze 16:63 That thou mayest

- remember, and be confounded,
- and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame,

when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done,

saith the LORD GOD.

## Two Great Eagles Parable

Eze 17:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 17:2 Son of man,

put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel;

Eze 17:3 And say, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar:

- Eze 17:4 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of merchants.
- Eze 17:5 He took also **of the seed of the land**, and planted it in a fruitful field; he placed *it* by great waters, *and* set it *as* a willow tree.

Eze 17:6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward him,

#### and the roots thereof were under him:

so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs.

Eze 17:7 There was also **another great eagle** with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine (Note: Jerusalem)

- **did bend her roots toward him,** and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.
- Eze 17:8 It was planted in a good soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.

#### Eze 17:9 Say thou, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

shall it prosper?

shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

Eze 17:10 Yea, behold,

being planted, shall it prosper?

shall it not utterly wither, when the east wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.

## Interpretation of the Two Eagles Parable

Eze 17:11 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 17:12 Say now to the rebellious house,

Know ye not what these *things mean?* 

tell them,

Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem,

- and hath taken **the king** thereof, and **the princes** thereof, and led them with him to **Babylon**;
- Eze 17:13 And hath taken of the king's seed, and made a covenant with him, and hath taken an oath of him: (Note: referring to King Zedekiah see 2 Kings 24-25)
- he hath also taken the mighty of the land:
  - o Eze 17:14 That the kingdom might be base,
  - o that it might not lift itself up,
  - o but that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

Eze 17:15 But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people.

Shall he prosper?

shall he escape that doeth such things?

or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?

#### Eze 17:16 As I live, saith the LORD GOD,

#### surely in the place where the king dwelleth

- that made him king,
- whose oath he despised,
- and whose covenant he brake, even with him

in the midst of **Babylon** he shall die.

Eze 17:17 Neither shall **Pharaoh with** *his* **mighty army and great company** make for him in the war, by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons:

Eze 17:18 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the covenant, when, lo,

he had given his hand [pledged his allegiance], and {yet} hath done all these *things*, he shall not escape.

#### Eze 17:19 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD; As I live,

surely mine oath that he hath despised, and my covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.

Eze 17:20 And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to **Babylon**,

and will plead with him there for his trespass that he hath trespassed against me.

Eze 17:21 And all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword,

and they that remain shall be scattered toward all winds:

#### and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken it.

Note: Prophecy fulfilled in 2 Kings 24-25, Jeremiah 39,52

#### Eze 17:22 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will also take of the highest branch of the high cedar, and will set it; I will crop off from the top of his young twigs a tender one, and will plant it upon an high mountain and eminent: (See 17:3)

#### Eze 17:23 In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it: and it shall

- bring forth boughs, and bear fruit,
- and be a goodly cedar:
- and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.

#### Eze 17:24 And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD

have brought down the high tree,

have exalted the low tree,

have dried up the green tree,

and have made the dry tree to flourish:

I the LORD have spoken and have done it.

## The LORD judges a person according to his own conduct, not his parents

Eze 18:1 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

Eze 18:2 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?

Eze 18:3 As I live, saith the LORD GOD,

ye shall not have *occasion* any more to use this proverb in Israel.

Eze 18:4 Behold,

all souls are mine;

as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine:

the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

Eze 18:5 But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,

- Eze 18:6 And hath not eaten upon the mountains,
- neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel,
- neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife,
- neither hath come near to a menstruous woman,
- Eze 18:7 And hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge,
- hath spoiled none by violence,
- hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;
- Eze 18:8 He that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase,
- that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity,
- hath executed true judgment between man and man,
- Eze 18:9 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly;

he is just, he shall surely live,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

#### Eze 18:10 If he beget a son

- that is a robber, a shedder of blood,
- and *that* doeth the like to *any* one of these *things*,

## Eze 18:11 And that doeth not any of those duties,

- but even hath eaten upon the mountains,
- and defiled his neighbour's wife,
- Eze 18:12 Hath oppressed the poor and needy,
- hath spoiled by violence,
- hath not restored the pledge,
- and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols,
- hath committed abomination,
- Eze 18:13 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase:

# shall he then live? he shall not live:

#### he hath done all these abominations;

he shall surely die;

his blood shall be upon him.

#### Eze 18:14 Now, lo, if he beget a son,

- that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done.
- and considereth, and doeth not such like,
- Eze 18:15 That hath not eaten upon the mountains,
- neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel,
- hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,
- Eze 18:16 Neither hath oppressed any,
- hath not withholden the pledge,
- neither hath spoiled by violence,
- but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,
- Eze 18:17 That hath taken off his hand from the poor,
- that hath not received usury nor increase,
- hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes;

he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

#### Eze 18:18 As for his father, because

- he cruelly oppressed,
- spoiled his brother by violence,
- and did *that* which *is* not good among his people,

lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.

Eze 18:19 Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father?

#### When the son

- hath done that which is lawful and right,
- and hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them,

he shall surely live.

Eze 18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die.

The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son:

the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him [himself], and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him [himself].

Eze 18:21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed,

- and keep all my statutes,
- and do that which is lawful and right,

he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 18:22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him:

• in his righteousness that he hath done

he shall live.

Eze 18:23 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the LORD GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

Eze 18:24 But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness,

- and committeth iniquity,
- and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth,

shall he live?

All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned:

- in his trespass [treachery, repulsive things] that he hath trespassed,
- and in his sin that he hath sinned,

in them shall he die.

Eze 18:25 Yet ye say, The way of the LORD is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?

Eze 18:26 When a righteous *man* turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.

Eze 18:27 Again, when the wicked *man* turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

Eze 18:28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 18:29 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the LORD is not equal.

O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

Eze 18:30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,

## saith the LORD GOD.

Repent, and turn *yourselves* from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Eze 18:31 Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit:

for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

Eze 18:32 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth,

#### saith the LORD GOD:

wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.

# Eze 19:1 Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel, Eze 19:2 and say,

What is thy mother? A lioness:

- she lay down among lions,
- she nourished her whelps among young lions.

Eze 19:3 And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion,

• and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.

Eze 19:4 The nations also heard of him;

- he was taken in their pit,
- and they brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.

Eze 19:5 Now when she saw that she had waited, *and* her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, *and* made him a young lion.

Eze 19:6 And he went up and down among the lions,

he became a young lion,

- and learned to catch the prey, and devoured men.
- Eze 19:7 And he knew their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities;
- and the land was desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.

Eze 19:8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces,

- and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.
- Eze 19:9 And they put him in ward in chains,
- and brought him to the king of Babylon:
- they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.

# Eze 19:10 Thy mother is like a vine in thy blood,

- planted by the waters: she was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters.
- Eze 19:11 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule,
- and her stature was exalted among the thick branches,

and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.

Eze 19:12 But she was plucked up in fury,

- she was cast down to the ground,
- and the east wind dried up her fruit:
- her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.

#### Eze 19:13 And now

- she is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.
- Eze 19:14 And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches,
- which hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod to be a sceptre to rule.

This is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.

# Year 7-Month 5-Day 10 of the exile of Jehoiachin (August 591 BC)

Eze 20:1 And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month, that certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me

Eze 20:2 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

Eze 20:3 Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them,

## Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Are ye come to enquire of me? As I live, saith the LORD GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

Eze 20:4 Wilt thou judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge them?

# cause them to know the abominations of their fathers:

Eze 20:5 And say unto them,

#### Thus saith the LORD GOD:

#### In the day

- when I chose Israel,
- and lifted up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob,
- and made myself known unto them in the land of Egypt,

when I lifted up mine hand unto them, saying, I am the LORD your God;

Eze 20:6 In the day that I lifted up mine hand unto them, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt into a land that I had espied [selected] for them,

- flowing with milk and honey,
- which is the glory of all lands:

#### Eze 20:7 Then said I unto them,

- Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes,
- and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt:

I am the LORD your God.

#### Eze 20:8 But

- they rebelled against me,
- and would not hearken unto me:
- they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes,
- neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt.

then I said, I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt.

Eze 20:9 **But** I wrought [acted] for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, among whom they were, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt.

Eze 20:10 Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness.

Eze 20:11 And

- I gave them my statutes,
- and shewed them my judgments,

which if a man do, he shall even live in them.

Eze 20:12 Moreover also

• I gave them my sabbaths,

to be a sign between me and them,

that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them.

Eze 20:13 **But** the house of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness:

- they walked not in **my statutes**,
- and they despised my judgments,

which if a man do, he shall even live in them;

• and my sabbaths they greatly polluted:

then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, to consume them.

Eze 20:14 **But** I wrought [acted] for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them out.

Eze 20:15 Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them <u>in the wilderness</u>, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given *them*,

- flowing with milk and honey,
- which is the glory of all lands;

#### Eze 20:16 Because

- they despised my judgments,
- and walked not in my statutes,
- but polluted my sabbaths:
- for their heart went after their idols.

Eze 20:17 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.

Eze 20:18 **But** I said unto their children in the wilderness. Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:

#### Eze 20:19 I am the LORD your God;

- walk in my statutes,
- and keep my judgments,

and do them;

• Eze 20:20 And hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I am the LORD your God.

Eze 20:21 Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me:

- they walked not in my statutes,
- neither kept my judgments

to do them, which if a man do, he shall even live in them;

• they polluted my sabbaths:

then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness.

Eze 20:22 **Nevertheless** *I* withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight *I* brought them forth.

Eze 20:23 I lifted up mine hand unto them also <u>in the wilderness</u>, that I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;

#### Eze 20:24 Because

- they had not executed my judgments,
- but had despised my statutes,
- and had polluted my sabbaths,
- and their eyes were after their fathers' idols.

#### Eze 20:25 Wherefore I gave them also

- **statutes** that were not good,
- and judgments whereby they should not live;
- Eze 20:26 And I polluted them [pronounced them unclean] in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through *the fire* all that openeth the womb,

that I might make them desolate,

to the end that they might know that I am the LORD.

Eze 20:27 Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, in that they have committed a trespass [acted treacherously] against me.

Eze 20:28 For when I had brought them into the land, for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them,

- then they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees,
- and they offered there their sacrifices,
- and there they presented the provocation of their offering:
- there also they made their sweet savour,
- and poured out there their drink offerings.

Eze 20:29 Then I said unto them, What *is* the high place whereunto ye go? And the name thereof is called **Bamah** unto this day. (Note: a place in Palestine for worshiping Baal)

Eze 20:30 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?

Eze 20:31 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day:

and shall I be enquired of by you, **O house of Israel**?

As I live, saith the LORD GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

Eze 20:32 And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the heathen, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.

Eze 20:33 As I live, saith the LORD GOD, surely

- with a mighty hand,
- and with a stretched out arm,
- and with fury poured out,

# will I rule over you:

Eze 20:34 And I will bring you out from the people,

and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered,

- with a mighty hand,
- and with a stretched out arm,
- and with fury poured out,

Eze 20:35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people,

and there will I plead [enter into judgment] with you face to face.

Eze 20:36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead [enter into judgment] with you,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 20:37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod,

and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant:

Eze 20:38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me:

- I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn,
- and they shall not enter into **the land of Israel:**

#### and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 20:39 As for you, **O house of Israel**, thus saith the LORD GOD;

Go ye, serve ye every one his idols,

and hereafter also,

if ye will not hearken unto me:

but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols.

Eze 20:40 For in mine holy mountain [Zion], in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the LORD GOD,

there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me:

there will I accept them, and there will I require

- your offerings,
- and the firstfruits of your oblations,
- with all your holy things.

Eze 20:41 I will accept you with your sweet savour,

- when I bring you out from the people,
- and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered;

and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.

Eze 20:42 And ye shall know that I am the LORD,

when I shall bring you into the land of Israel,

into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.

Eze 20:43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled:

and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.

Eze 20:44 And ye shall know that I am the LORD,

when I have wrought [dealt] with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 20:45 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 20:46 Son of man,

set thy face toward the south, and drop *thy word* toward the south, and prophesy against the forest of the south field;

Eze 20:47 And say to the forest of the south,

Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee,

and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree:

the flaming flame shall not be quenched,

and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein.

Eze 20:48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.

Eze 20:49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak parables?

Eze 21:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 21:2 Son of man,

set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel,

Eze 21:3 And say to the land of Israel,

#### Thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I am against thee, and will draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked.

Eze 21:4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked,

therefore shall my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

Eze 21:5 That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more.

Eze 21:6 Sigh therefore, thou son of man,

with the breaking of thy loins;

and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

Eze 21:7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer,

For the tidings; because it cometh:

- and every heart shall melt,
- and all hands shall be feeble,
- and every spirit shall faint,
- and all knees shall be weak as water:

behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass,

## saith the LORD GOD.

#### Eze 21:8 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 21:9 Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say,

A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:

Eze 21:10 It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter;

it is furbished that it may glitter:

should we then make mirth?

it contemneth [spurns] the rod of **my son**, as every tree.

Eze 21:11 And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled:

this sword is sharpened, and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slaver.

#### Eze 21:12 Cry and howl, son of man:

for it shall be upon my people,

it shall be upon all the princes of Israel:

terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people:

smite therefore upon thy thigh.

Eze 21:13 Because it is a trial,

and what if the sword contemn even the rod? it shall be no more.

saith the LORD GOD.

#### Eze 21:14 Thou therefore, son of man,

prophesy,

and smite thine hands together,

and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain:

it is the sword of the great men that are slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.

Eze 21:15 I have set the point of the sword against all their gates,

that their heart may faint,

nd their ruins be multiplied:

ah! it is made bright, it is wrapped up for the slaughter.

Eze 21:16 Go thee one way or other, *either* on the right hand, *or* on the left, whithersoever thy face *is* set.

Eze 21:17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest [I shall appease My wrath];

I the LORD have said it.

# Eze 21:18 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

Eze 21:19 Also, thou son of man,

# appoint thee two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon may come:

both twain shall come forth out of one land:

and choose thou a place, choose it at the head of the way to the city.

Eze 21:20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come

- to Rabbath of the Ammonites,
- and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

Eze 21:21 For the king of Babylon stood at the parting of the way,

at the head of the two ways, to use divination:

- he made *his* arrows bright,
- he consulted with images,
- he looked in the liver.

# Eze 21:22 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem,

- to appoint captains,
- to open the mouth in the slaughter,
- to lift up the voice with shouting,
- to appoint *battering* rams against the gates,
- to cast a mount,
- and to build a fort.

Eze 21:23 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight,

to them that have sworn oaths:

but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.

## Eze 21:24 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because ye have made your iniquity to be remembered,

- in that your transgressions are discovered,
- so that in all your doings your sins do appear;
- because, *I say*, that ye are come to remembrance,

ye shall be taken with the hand.

Eze 21:25 And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end,

#### Eze 21:26 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this *shall* not *be* the same: exalt *him that is* low,

and abase him that is high.

Eze 21:27 I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it *him*.

# Eze 21:28 And thou, son of man, prophesy and say,

Thus saith the LORD GOD

concerning the Ammonites, and concerning their reproach;

even say thou,

The sword, the sword is drawn:

- for the slaughter it is furbished,
- to consume because of the glittering:

Eze 21:29 Whiles they see vanity unto thee,

whiles they divine a lie unto thee,

to bring thee upon the necks of them that are slain, of the wicked, whose day is come, when their iniquity shall have an end.

Eze 21:30 Shall I cause *it* to return into his sheath?

I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.

Eze 21:31 And I will pour out mine indignation upon thee,

I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath,

and deliver thee into the hand of brutish men, and skilful to destroy.

Eze 21:32 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire;

thy blood shall be in the midst of the land;

thou shalt be no more remembered:

for I the LORD have spoken it.

## Eze 22:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 22:2 Now, thou son of man,

wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations.

Eze 22:3 Then say thou

# Thus saith the LORD GOD,

The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, (note: Jerusalem)

and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.

Eze 22:4 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed;

and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made;

and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years:

#### therefore have I made thee

- a reproach unto the heathen,
- and a mocking to all countries.

Eze 22:5 Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock thee,

- *which art* infamous
- and much vexed.

## Eze 22:6 Behold, the princes of Israel,

- every one were in thee to their power to shed blood.
- Eze 22:7 In thee have they set light by father and mother:
- in the midst of thee have they dealt by oppression with the stranger:
- in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.

Eze 22:8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.

Eze 22:9 In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood:

and in thee they eat upon the mountains:

in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.

Eze 22:10 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness:

and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution [menstrual impurity]

Eze 22:11 And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath lewdly defiled his daughter in law;

Eze 22:12 In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 22:13 Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand

- at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made,
- and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

Eze 22:14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee?

I the LORD have spoken it, and will do it.

Eze 22:15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

Eze 22:16 And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen,

and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

# Eze 22:17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 22:18 Son of man,

# the house of Israel is to me become dross:

all they *are* brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are *even* the dross of silver.

# Eze 22:19 Therefore

thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because ye are all become dross,

behold, therefore

I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

Eze 22:20 As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace.

to blow the fire upon it, to melt it;

so will I gather *you* in mine anger and in my fury,

and I will leave you there, and melt you.

Eze 22:21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath,

and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

Eze 22:22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace,

so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof;

and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.

# **Details of Israel's witchcraft**

Eze 22:23 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 22:24 Son of man, say unto her,

Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

Eze 22:25 *There is* a conspiracy of **her prophets** in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey;

- they have devoured souls;
- they have taken the treasure and precious things;
- they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

#### Eze 22:26 Her priests

- have violated my law,
- and have profaned mine holy things:
- they have put no difference between the holy and profane,
- neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean,
- and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths,

and I am profaned among them.

Eze 22:27 Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey,

- to shed blood.
- and to destroy souls,

to get dishonest gain.

#### Eze 22:28 And her prophets

- have daubed them with untempered *morter*,
- seeing vanity [false visions],
- and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the LORD GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

#### Eze 22:29 The people of the land

- have used oppression,
- and exercised robbery,
- and have vexed the poor and needy:
- yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.

Eze 22:30 And I sought for a man among them,

- that should make up the hedge,
- and stand in the gap before me for the land,

that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

## Eze 22:31 Therefore

have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads,

saith the LORD GOD.

# Judgment on Samaria and Jerusalem

Eze 23:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

Eze 23:2 Son of man,

there were two women, the daughters of one mother:

Eze 23:3 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

Eze 23:4 And the names of them were

- **Aholah** the elder,
- and Aholibah her sister:

and they were mine,

and they bare sons and daughters.

Thus were their names;

- Samaria is Aholah,
- and Jerusalem Aholibah.

Eze 23:5 And **Aholah** played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the **Assyrians** *her* neighbours,

- Eze 23:6 Which were clothed with blue,
- captains and rulers,
- all of them desirable young men,
- horsemen riding upon horses.

Eze 23:7 Thus she committed her whoredoms with them,

- with all them that were the chosen men of Assyria,
- and with all on whom she doted [lusted after]:
- with all their idols she defiled herself.

Eze 23:8 Neither left she her whoredoms *brought* from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.

Eze 23:9 Wherefore I have delivered her

into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.

- Eze 23:10 These discovered [uncovered] her nakedness:
- they took her sons and her daughters,
- and slew her with the sword:

and she became famous among women;

for they had executed judgment upon her.

Eze 23:11 And when her sister Aholibah saw this,

she was more corrupt in her inordinate love than she,

and in her whoredoms more than her sister in her whoredoms.

Eze 23:12 She doted upon [lusted after] the Assyrians her neighbours,

- captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously,
- horsemen riding upon horses,
- all of them desirable young men.

Eze 23:13 Then I saw that she was defiled, that they took both one way,

Eze 23:14 And *that* she increased her whoredoms:

for when she saw men pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the **Chaldeans** pourtrayed with vermilion [bright red pigment],

- Eze 23:15 Girded with girdles upon their loins,
- exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads,
- all of them princes to look to, after the manner of the **Babylonians** of **Chaldea**, the land of their nativity:

Eze 23:16 And as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted [lusted] upon them, and sent messengers unto them into **Chaldea**.

Eze 23:17 And the **Babylonians** came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their whoredom, and she was polluted with them, and her mind was alienated from them.

Eze 23:18 So she discovered [uncovered] her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then my mind was alienated from **her**, like as my mind was alienated from **her sister.** 

Eze 23:19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in **the land of Egypt.** 

Eze 23:20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh *is as* the flesh of asses, and whose issue *is like* the issue of horses.

Eze 23:21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance [longed for] the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps [breasts] of thy youth.

#### Eze 23:22 Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the LORD GOD;

## Behold,

I will raise up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;

- Eze 23:23 The **Babylonians**,
- and all the **Chaldeans**,
- Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa,
- and all the Assyrians with them:

all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.

Eze 23:24 And they shall come against thee with **chariots**, **wagons**, and **wheels**, and with an

assembly of people, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their judgments.

Eze 23:25 And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee:

- they shall take away thy nose and thine ears;
- and thy remnant shall fall by the sword:
- they shall take thy sons and thy daughters;
- and thy residue [survivors] shall be devoured by the fire.
- Eze 23:26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.

Eze 23:27 Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom *brought* from **the land of Egypt**: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember **Egypt** any more.

## Eze 23:28 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand *of them* whom thou hatest, into the hand *of them* from whom thy mind is alienated:

Eze 23:29 And they shall

- deal with thee hatefully,
- and shall take away all thy labour,
- and shall leave thee naked and bare:

and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

Eze 23:30 I will do these things unto thee,

- because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen,
- and because thou art polluted with their idols.

Eze 23:31 Thou hast walked in the way of **thy sister**; therefore will I give **her cup** into **thine** hand.

#### Eze 23:32 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

- Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large:
- thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision;

it containeth much.

- Eze 23:33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow,
- with the cup of astonishment and desolation,
- with the cup of thy sister Samaria.
- Eze 23:34 Thou shalt even drink it and suck it out,
- and thou shalt break the sherds thereof,
- and pluck off thine own breasts:

for I have spoken it, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 23:35 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because thou hast forgotten me, and cast me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also {the punishment for} thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

Eze 23:36 The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man,

# wilt thou judge Aholah and Aholibah? yea, declare unto them their abominations;

Eze 23:37 That they have committed adultery, and blood *is* in their hands, and with their idols have they committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, whom they bare unto me, to pass for them through *the fire*, to devour *them* 

Eze 23:38 Moreover this they have done unto me:

- they have defiled my sanctuary in the same day,
- and have profaned my sabbaths.
- Eze 23:39 For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house.

Eze 23:40 And furthermore, that ye have sent for men to come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent;

## and, lo, they came:

- for whom thou didst wash thyself,
- paintedst thy eyes,
- and deckedst thyself with ornaments,
- Eze 23:41 And satest upon a stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.

Eze 23:42 And a voice of a multitude being at ease *was* with her: and with the men of the common sort *were* brought Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.

Eze 23:43 Then said I unto *her that was* old in adulteries, Will they now commit whoredoms with her, and she *with them?*Eze 23:44 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto **Aholah** and unto **Aholibah**, the lewd women.

#### Eze 23:45 And the righteous men, they shall judge them

- after the manner of adulteresses,
- and after the manner of women that shed blood;

because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands.

#### Eze 23:46 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them to be removed and spoiled. Eze 23:47 And the company shall stone them with stones, and dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.

Eze 23:48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

Eze 23:49 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the sins of your idols:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD GOD.

# Year 7 of the exile of Jehoiachin

Jer 52:28 This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive:

in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty:

# Year 9 - Month 10 - Day 10 of the exile of Jehoiachin

# Second siege of Jerusalem

Eze 24:1 Again in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 24:2 Son of man.

write thee the name of the day, even of this same day:

the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.

Eze 24:3 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house,

#### and say unto them,

# Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Set on a pot, set it on,

and also pour water into it:

Eze 24:4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, even every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder;

fill it with the choice bones.

Eze 24:5 Take the choice of the flock,

and burn also the bones under it, [And also pile wood under the pot.]

and make it boil well,

and let them see the bones of it therein.

# Eze 24:6 Wherefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

# Woe to the bloody city,

to the pot whose scum is therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it!

bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it [without making a choice].

Eze 24:7 For her blood is in the midst of her;

she set it upon the top of a rock;

she poured it not upon the ground, to cover it with dust;

Eze 24:8 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance;

I have set her blood (Note: *guilt for her children sacrificed to Molech*) upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.

#### Eze 24:9 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Woe to the bloody city!

I will even make the pile for fire great.

Eze 24:10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire,

consume the flesh,

and spice it well,

and let the bones be burned.

Eze 24:11 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof,

that the brass of it may be hot, and may burn,

and that the filthiness of it may be molten in it,

that the scum of it may be consumed.

Eze 24:12 She hath wearied *herself* with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum *shall be* in the fire.

Eze 24:13 In thy filthiness is lewdness:

because I have purged [cleansed]thee, and thou wast not purged [cleansed], thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, till I have caused my fury to rest upon thee.

## Eze 24:14 I the LORD have spoken it:

it shall come to pass, and I will do *it;* I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according

according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they [I] judge thee,

saith the LORD GOD.

Jer 34:1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon,

- and all his army.
- and all the kingdoms of the earth of his dominion,
- and all the people,

fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof, saying,

Jer 34:2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him

## Thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I will give this city into the hand of **the king of Babylon**, and he shall burn it with fire: Jer 34:3 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be taken, and delivered into his hand; and thine eyes shall behold the eyes of **the king of Babylon**, and he shall speak with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to **Babylon**.

Jer 34:4 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of thee,

Thou shalt not die by the sword:

Jer 34:5 But thou shalt die in peace:

and with the burnings of thy fathers, the former kings which were before thee, so shall they burn *odours* for thee; and they will lament thee, *saying*, Ah lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.

**Discrepancy**: Zedekiah later had his eyes plucked out in Jer 39:7 and 52:10

Jer 34:6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem, Jer 34:7 When the king of Babylon's army fought

- against Jerusalem,
- and against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish, and against Azekah:

for these defenced cities remained of the cities of Judah.

# Year 9 of Jehoiachin's exile, 9<sup>th</sup> year, Month 10, Day 10 of Zedekiah's reign

Jerusalem under siege by Nebuchadnezzar plus Famine

2Ki 25:1 And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he, and all his host, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it; and they built forts against it round about.

Jer 52:4 And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.

Jer 39:1 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.

Eze 24:15 Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 24:16 Son of man,

behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke:

yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down.

Eze 24:17 Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead,

bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and cover not *thy* lips, and eat not the bread of men.

Eze 24:18 So I spake unto the people in the morning:

and at even my wife died;

and I did in the morning as I was commanded.

Eze 24:19 And the people said unto me,

Wilt thou not tell us what these *things are* to us, that thou doest *so?* 

Eze 24:20 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 24:21 Speak unto the house of Israel,

### Thus saith the LORD GOD;

#### Behold,

I will profane my sanctuary,

- the excellency of your strength,
- the desire of your eyes,
- and that which your soul pitieth;

and your sons and your daughters whom ye have left shall fall by the sword.

#### Eze 24:22 And ye shall do as I have done:

- ye shall not cover *your* lips,
- nor eat the bread of men.
- Eze 24:23 And your tires *shall be* upon your heads,
- and your shoes upon your feet:
- ye shall not mourn nor weep;

but ye shall pine away for your iniquities, and mourn one toward another.

Eze 24:24 Thus Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done shall ye do: and when this cometh,

ye shall know that I am the LORD GOD.

# Eze 24:25 Also, thou son of man,

shall it not be in the day when I take from them

- their strength,
- the joy of their glory,
- the desire of their eyes,
- and that whereupon they set their minds,
- their sons and their daughters,

Eze 24:26 *That* he that escapeth **in that day** shall come unto thee, to cause *thee* to hear *it* with *thine* ears? Eze 24:27 **In that day** 

- shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped,
- and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb:
- and thou shalt be a sign unto them;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

# Judgment upon gleeful nations after the fall of Jerusalem

Eze 25:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

Eze 25:2 Son of man,

set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;

Eze 25:3 And say unto the Ammonites,

Hear the word of the LORD GOD;

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity;

Eze 25:4 Behold, therefore

I will deliver thee to the men of the east for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit, and they shall drink thy milk.

Eze 25:5 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couchingplace for flocks:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD. Eze 25:6 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

**Because** thou hast clapped *thine* hands, and stamped with the feet, and rejoiced in heart with all thy despite against **the land of Israel**;

Eze 25:7 Behold, therefore

I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, nd I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee;

and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

## Eze 25:8 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

# Because that **Moab** and **Seir** do say,

Behold, the house of Judah is like unto all the heathen;

Eze 25:9 Therefore, behold,

I will open the side of **Moab** from the cities,

• from his cities *which are* on his frontiers, the glory of the country, **Bethjeshimoth**, **Baalmeon**, and **Kiriathaim**,

Eze 25:10 Unto the men of the east with the Ammonites,

and will give them in possession,

that the **Ammonites** may not be remembered among the nations.

Eze 25:11 And I will execute judgments upon **Moab**;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

#### Eze 25:12 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;

Eze 25:13 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will also stretch out mine hand upon **Edom**, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from **Teman**; and they of **Dedan** shall fall by the sword. **Eze 25:14** And I will lay my vengeance upon **Edom** by the hand of **my people Israel:** and they shall do in **Edom** according to mine anger and according to my fury;

and they shall know my vengeance, saith the LORD GOD.

# Eze 25:15 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

# Because the **Philistines** have dealt by revenge,

and have taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy it for the old hatred;

Eze 25:16 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the **Philistines**, and I will cut off the **Cherethims**, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast.

Eze 25:17 And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes;

and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.

# Year 10- Month 10-Day 12 of the exile of Jehoiachin

# Judgment on Egypt and Pharaoh Neco

Eze 29:1 In the tenth year, in the tenth *month*, in the twelfth *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 29:2 Son of man,

set thy face against **Pharaoh king of Egypt**, and prophesy against him, and against **all Egypt**:

Eze 29:3 Speak, and say,

# Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I *am* against thee, **Pharaoh king of Egypt**, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river *is* mine own, and I have made *it* for myself.

Eze 29:4 But I will put **hooks** in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales.

Eze 29:5 And I will leave thee *thrown* into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the **beasts** of the field and to the **fowls** of the heaven. Eze 29:6 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I *am* the LORD,

**because** they have been a staff of reed to the house of Israel.

- Eze 29:7 When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder:
- and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.

#### Eze 29:8 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee. Eze 29:9 And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste;

# and they shall know that I am the LORD:

because he hath said, The river [Nile] is mine, and I have made it.

#### Eze 29:10 Behold, therefore

I am against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate, from the tower of Syene even unto the border of Ethiopia. Eze 29:11 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

Eze 29:12 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and her cities among the cities that are laid waste shall be desolate forty years:

and I will scatter **the Egyptians** among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

Eze 29:13 Yet thus saith the LORD GOD;

At the end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered:

Eze 29:14 And I will bring again the captivity [restore the fortunes] of Egypt, and will cause them to return

into the land of Pathros, into the land of their habitation;

and they shall be there a base [lowly] kingdom.

Eze 29:15 It shall be the basest of the kingdoms;

neither shall it exalt itself any more above the nations:

for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.

Eze 29:16 And it shall be no more the confidence of **the house of Israel**, which bringeth *their* iniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them:

but they shall know that I am the LORD GOD.

# Zedekiah asks for the prayers of Jeremiah and assistance from Egypt which is later thwarted by God

#### Jer 37:1

And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah

- reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, (Note Coniah is also called Jehoiachin)
- whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.

Jer 37:2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land,

did hearken unto the words of the LORD, which he spake by the prophet Jeremiah.

Jer 37:3 And Zedekiah the king sent

- Jehucal the son of Shelemiah
- and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest

to the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

Pray now unto the LORD our God for us.

**Jer 21:1** The word which came to **Jeremiah** from the LORD

when King Zedekiah sent to him

- Pashhur the son of Malchijah,
- and Zephaniah the priest, the son of Maaseiah,

saying,

Jer 21:2 "Please inquire of the LORD on our behalf, for Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon is warring against us:

perhaps the LORD will deal with us according to all His wonderful acts,

that the enemy may withdraw from us."

Jer 37:4 Now **Jeremiah** came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into prison.

Jeremiah's unfavorable reply:

The LORD will war against Zedekiah and his people

## Jer 21:4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold,

I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands,

wherewith ye fight against

the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.

Jer 21:5 And I myself will fight against you with an outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath.

Jer 21:6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great **pestilence**.

## Jer 21:7 And afterward, saith the LORD,

I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine,

- into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon,
- and into the hand of their enemies,
- and into the hand of those that seek their life:

and **he** shall smite **them** with the edge of the sword;

**he** shall not spare **them**, neither have pity, nor have mercy.

# Jer 21:8 And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD;

### Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death.

Jer 21:9 He that abideth in this city shall die by the **sword**, and by the **famine**, and by the **pestilence**:

but he that goeth out, and falleth to the **Chaldeans** that besiege you,

- he shall live,
- and his life shall be unto him for a prey.

Jer 21:10 For I have set my face against **this city** for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD:

it shall be given into the hand of **the king of Babylon**, and he shall burn it with fire.

#### Jer 21:11 And touching the house of the king of Judah, say,

Hear ye the word of the LORD;

Jer 21:12 O house of David, thus saith the LORD;

Execute judgment in the morning,

and deliver him that is spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor,

lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings.

Jer 21:13 Behold, I am against thee, O inhabitant of the valley, and rock of the plain, saith the LORD:

which say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations? Jer 21:14 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.

Jer 37:5

Then **Pharaoh's army** was come forth out of **Egypt**: and when the **Chaldeans** that besieged **Jerusalem** heard tidings of them, they departed from **Jerusalem**.

Jer 37:6 Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 37:7 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel;

Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto me to enquire of me

Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you,

shall return to Egypt into their own land.

Jer 37:8 And the **Chaldeans** shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.

Jer 37:9 Thus saith the LORD;

Deceive not yourselves, saying,

The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us:

for they shall not depart.

Jer 37:10 For though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you

and there remained but wounded men among them,

yet should they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire

Jeremiah is arrested on false pretense of siding with the **Chaldeans**, beaten, and put in prison, the courtyard, and then a muddy pit

Jer 37:11

for fear of Pharaoh's army,

And it came to pass, that when **the army of the Chaldeans** was broken up from **Jerusalem** 

Jer 37:12 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin,

to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.

that Jeremiah left **Jerusalem** [during the withdrawal of the **Chaldean** invaders] to go to [Anathoth, his hometown, in] the land of Benjamin to take possession of [the title to] the land [which he had purchased] there among the people. [Jer 32:6-12] (Amplified Bible)

Jer 37:13 And when he was in the gate of Benjamin,

a captain of the ward was there, whose name was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying,

Thou fallest away to the **Chaldeans**.

Jer 37:14 Then said Jeremiah,

It is false; I fall not away to the **Chaldeans**.

But he hearkened not to him:

so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.

Jer 37:15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and smote him,

and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.

Jer 37:16 When Jeremiah was entered into **the dungeon**, and into the cabins [vaulted cell], and Jeremiah had remained there **many days**;

#### Jer 37:17 Then **Zedekiah the king** sent, and took him out:

and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said,

Is there *any* word from the LORD?

And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said he,

thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.

#### Jer 37:18

Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah,

What have I offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in prison?

Jer 37:19 Where are now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying,

The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

Jer 37:20 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: let my supplication,

I pray thee, be accepted before thee;

that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there.

#### Jer 37:21 Then **Zedekiah the king** commanded

that they should commit Jeremiah into the court of the prison,

and that they should give him daily a piece of bread out of the bakers' street,

until all the bread in the city were spent.

Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

#### Jer 38:1 Then Shephatiah the son of Mattan,

and Gedaliah the son of Pashur.

and Jucal the son of Shelemiah,

and **Pashur** the son of Malchiah,

heard the words that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people, saying,

## Jer 38:2 Thus saith the LORD,

He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have his life for a prey, and shall live.

#### Jer 38:3 Thus saith the LORD,

This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.

# Jer 38:4 Therefore the princes said unto the king,

We beseech thee, let this man be put to death:

for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them:

for this man seeketh not the welfare of this people, but the hurt.

## Jer 38:5 Then **Zedekiah the king** said,

Behold, he is in your hand: for the king is not he that can do any thing against you.

# Jer 38:6 Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son of Hammelech,

# that was in the court of the prison:

and they let down Jeremiah with cords.

And in the dungeon there was no water, but mire:

so Jeremiah sunk in the mire.

# Jeremiah is rescued by Ebed-melech the Ethiopian

Jer 38:7 Now when **Ebedmelech the Ethiopian**, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon;

# the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;

Jer 38:8 Ebedmelech went forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king, saying,

Jer 38:9 My lord the king, these men have done evil

in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet,

whom they have cast into the dungeon;

and he is like to die for hunger in the place where he is:

for there is no more bread in the city.

Jer 38:10 Then the king commanded Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying,

Take from hence thirty men with thee,

and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die.

Jer 38:11 So Ebedmelech took the men with him,

and went into the house of the king under the treasury,

and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags,

and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah.

Jer 38:12 And Ebedmelech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah,

Put now these old cast clouts and rotten rags under thine armholes under the cords.

And Jeremiah did so.

Jer 38:13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon:

and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

Jer 39:15

Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

Jer 39:16 Go and speak to Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:

Behold, I will bring my words upon **this city** for evil, and not for good; and they shall be *accomplished* in that day before thee.

Jer 39:17 But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD:

and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou art afraid.

Jer 39:18 For I will surely deliver thee,

and thou shalt not fall by the sword,

but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee:

because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.

# Jeremiah warns Zedekiah if he does not surrender to Nebuchadnezzar he will die under the **Chaldeans** who will burn Jerusalem

Jer 38:14 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him

into the third entry that is in the house of the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah,

I will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.

Jer 38:15

Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah,

If I declare *it* unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I give thee counsel, wilt thou not hearken unto me?

Jer 38:16 So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying,

As the LORD liveth, that made us this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these men that seek thy life.

#### Jer 38:17 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah,

Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel;

If thou wilt assuredly go forth unto **the king of Babylon's princes**, then thy soul shall live, and **this city** shall not be burned with fire; and thou shall live, and thine house:

Jer 38:18 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.

#### Jer 38:19

And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah,

I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans,

lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me.

Jer 38:20

But Jeremiah said,

They shall not deliver thee.

Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee:

so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.

# Jer 38:21 But if thou refuse to go forth, this is the word that the LORD hath shewed me:

# Jer 38:22 And, behold,

all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house

shall be brought forth to the king of Babylon's princes,

and those *women* shall say, Thy friends have set thee on, and have prevailed against thee:

thy feet are sunk in the mire, and they are turned away back.

Jer 38:23 So they shall bring out all thy wives and thy children to the Chaldeans:

and thou shalt not escape out of their hand,

but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon:

and thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.

# Zedekiah gives Jeremiah a way to avoid rotting in prison by those who seek his life Jer 38:24

Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah,

Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

Jer 38:25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say unto thee,

Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king.

hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death;

also what the king said unto thee:

Jer 38:26 Then thou shalt say unto them,

I presented my supplication before the king,

that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.

Jer 38:27 Then came all the princes unto **Jeremiah**, and asked him:

and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded.

So they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.

Jer 38:28 So Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was *there* when Jerusalem was taken.

# Year 10 of Zedekiah's reign

# The reason Zedekiah put Jeremiah in prison

Jer 32:1

# The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD

in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

Jer 32:2 For then **the king of Babylon's army** besieged **Jerusalem**:

and Jeremiali the prophet was shut up in the court of the prison, which was in the king of Judah's house.

Jer 32:3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying,

Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD

Behold,

I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon,

and he shall take it;

Jer 32:4 And Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans,

but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon,

and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes;

Jer 32:5 And he shall lead **Zedekiah to Babylon**, and there shall he be until I visit him, saith the LORD:

though ye fight with the **Chaldeans**, ye shall not prosper.

# Jeremiah while in prison tells Zedekiah he was commanded to buy a field in Benjamin in spite of the invasion of Nebuchadnezzar

Jer 32:6

And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Jer 32:7 Behold.

Hanameel the son of Shallum thine uncle shall come unto thee, saying,

Buy thee my field that is in Anathoth:

for the right of redemption is thine to buy it

Jer 32:8 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me,

Buy my field, I pray thee, that is in **Anathoth, which** *is* **in the country of Benjamin:** for the right of inheritance is thine, and the redemption is thine; buy it for thyself.

Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

Jer 32:9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that was in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, even seventeen shekels of silver.

Jer 32:10 And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed it, and took witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances.

Jer 32:11 So I took the evidence of the purchase, *both* that which was sealed *according* to the law and custom, and that which was open:

Jer 32:12 And I gave the evidence of the purchase unto

Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah,

in the sight of Hanameel mine uncle's son,

and in the presence of the witnesses that subscribed the book of the purchase,

before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.

Jer 32:13 And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

Jer 32:14 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.

Jer 32:15 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

Jer 32:16 Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto **Baruch the son of Neriah**, I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

Jer 32:17 Ah Lord GOD! behold,

thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:

Jer 32:18 Thou shewest lovingkindness unto thousands,

and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them:

the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, is his name,

Jer 32:19 Great in counsel, and mighty in work:

for thine eyes *are* open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

Jer 32:20 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among other men;

and hast made thee a name, as at this day;

Jer 32:21 And hast brought forth thy people Israel out of the land of Egypt

- o with signs, and with wonders,
- o and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm,
- o and with great terror;

Jer 32:22 And hast given them this land,

which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them,

a land flowing with milk and honey;

Jer 32:23 And they came in, and possessed it;

**but** they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: **therefore** thou hast caused all this evil to come upon them:

Jer 32:24 Behold the mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into **the hand of the Chaldeans**, that fight against it, because of the **sword**, and of the **famine**, and of the **pestilence**:

and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest it.

Jer 32:25 And thou hast said unto me, O Lord GOD, Buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses; for the city is given into the hand of the **Chaldeans**.

# Reiteration - Jerusalem to be taken over by Nebuchadnezzar

Jer 32:26 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying, Jer 32:27 Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me? Jer 32:28 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city • into the hand of the **Chaldeans**, • and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it: Jer 32:29 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set fire on this city, and burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink offerings unto other gods, • to provoke me to anger. Jer 32:30 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have only done evil before me from their youth: for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, saith the LORD. Jer 32:31 For this city hath been to me as a provocation of mine anger and of my fury from the day that they built it even unto this day: that I should remove it from before my face, Jer 32:32 Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. Jer 32:33 And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction. Jer 32:34 But they set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it. Jer 32:35 And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through *the fire* unto **Molech**; which I commanded them not. neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. Jer 32:36 And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence; Jer 32:37 Behold, I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely: Jer 32:38 And they shall be my people, and I will be their God: Jer 32:39 And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: Jer 32:40 And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good;

but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.

Jer 32:41 Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good,

and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

Jer 32:42

For thus saith the LORD;

Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them.

Jer 32:43 And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say,

It *is* desolate without man or beast;

it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

Jer 32:44 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses

- in the land of Benjamin,
- and in the places about Jerusalem,
- and in the cities of Judah,
- and in the cities of the mountains.
- and in the cities of the valley,
- and in the cities of the south:

for I will cause their captivity to return,

saith the LORD.

Jer 33:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the second time,

while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

Jer 33:2 Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it:

the LORD is his name;

Jer 33:3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Jer 33:4 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel,

concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah,

which are thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword;

Jer 33:5 They come to fight with the **Chaldeans**,

but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of men,

- whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury,
- and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city.

Jer 33:6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them,

and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

Jer 33:7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.

Jer 33:8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities,

whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.

Jer 33:9 And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth,

- which shall hear all the good that I do unto them:
- and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.

# Jer 33:10 Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast, Jer 33:11 The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD. Jer 33:12 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down. Jer 33:13 In the cities of the mountains. in the cities of the vale and in the cities of the south. and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth *them*, saith the LORD. Jer 33:14 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah. Jer 33:15 In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. Jer 33:16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: • and this is the name wherewith she shall be called, The LORD our righteousness.

# Jer 33:17

For thus saith the LORD;

David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of **the house of Israel**; Jer 33:18 Neither shall **the priests the Levites** want a man before me

- to offer burnt offerings,
- and to kindle meat offerings,
- and to do sacrifice continually.

Jer 33:19 And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 33:20

Thus saith the LORD;

If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;

Jer 33:21 Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant,

- that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne;
- and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.

Jer 33:22 As the host of heaven cannot be numbered,

neither the sand of the sea measured:

so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me.

Jer 33:23

Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 33:24 Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying,

The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off?

thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.

Jer 33:25

Thus saith the LORD;

If my covenant be not with day and night,

and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;

- Jer 33:26 Then will I cast away the seed [descendants] of Jacob, and David my servant,
- so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob:

for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

2Ki 25:2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

Jer 52:5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

# Year 11-Month 1-Day 7 of the exile of Jehoiachin And Year 11 of Zedekiah

Eze 30:20 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first month, in the seventh day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 30:21 Son of man,

I have broken the arm of **Pharaoh king of Egypt**;

and, lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.

Eze 30:22 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.

Eze 30:23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

Eze 30:24 And I will strengthen the arms of **the king of Babylon**, and put my sword in his hand: but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded *man*.

Eze 30:25 But I will strengthen the arms of **the king of Babylon**, and the arms of **Pharaoh** shall fall down:

and they shall know that I am the LORD,

when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.

Eze 30:26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

# Year 11 – Month ?- Day 1 of the exile of Jehoiachin And Year 11 of Zedekiah

Eze 26:1 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 26:2 Son of man,

because that Tyrus [Tyre] hath said against Jerusalem,

Aha, she is broken *that was* the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, *now* she is laid waste:

Eze 26:3 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD:

Behold, I *am* against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

Eze 26:4 And they shall destroy the walls of **Tyrus**, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.

Eze 26:5 It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea:

for I have spoken it, saith the LORD GOD:

and it shall become a spoil to the nations.

Eze 26:6 And her daughters which are in the field shall be slain by the sword;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

## Eze 26:7 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

# Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus

# Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north,

with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

Eze 26:8 He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field:

and he shall make a fort against thee,

and cast a mount against thee,

and lift up the buckler against thee.

Eze 26:9 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls,

and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.

Eze 26:10 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee:

thy walls shall shake at the noise of

- the horsemen.
- and of the wheels.
- and of the chariots,

when he shall enter into thy gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

Eze 26:11 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets:

he shall slay thy people by the sword,

and thy strong garrisons shall go down to the ground.

Eze 26:12 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches,

and make a prey of thy merchandise:

and they shall break down thy walls,

and destroy thy pleasant houses:

and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

Eze 26:13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.

Eze 26:14 And I will make thee like the top of a rock:

thou shalt be *a place* to spread nets upon;

thou shalt be built no more:

for I the LORD have spoken it, saith the LORD GOD.

## Eze 26:15 Thus saith the LORD GOD to Tyrus [Tyre];

Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall,

- when the wounded cry,
- when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

Eze 26:16 Then all the princes of the sea shall

- come down from their thrones,
- and lay away their robes,
- and put off their broidered garments:
- they shall clothe themselves with trembling;
- they shall sit upon the ground, a
- nd shall tremble at *every* moment,
- and be astonished at thee.
- Eze 26:17 And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and say to thee,

How art thou destroyed, *that wast* inhabited of seafaring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea,

she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror *to be* on all that haunt it! Eze 26:18 Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall;

yea, the isles that *are* in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

# Eze 26:19 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee; Eze 26:20 When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee

- in the low parts of the earth,
- in places desolate of old,
- with them that go down to the pit,

that thou be not inhabited;

and I shall set glory in the land of the living;

Eze 26:21 I will make thee a terror, and thou *shalt be* no *more:* though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 27:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

Eze 27:2 Now, thou son of man,

# take up a lamentation for Tyrus [Tyre];

Eze 27:3 And say unto Tyrus [Tyre], O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, which art a merchant of the people for many isles,

### Thus saith the LORD GOD;

O Tyrus [Tyre], thou hast said, I am of perfect beauty. Eze 27:4 Thy borders are in the midst of the seas,

thy builders have perfected thy beauty.

### Ships

Eze 27:5 They have made all thy *ship* boards of fir trees of **Senir**:

they have taken cedars from **Lebanon** to make masts for thee.

Eze 27:6 Of the oaks of **Bashan** have they made thine oars;

the company of the **Ashurites** have made thy benches *of* ivory, *brought* out of the isles of **Chittim** [Kittim, Cyprus].

Eze 27:7 Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail;

blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.

Eze 27:8 The inhabitants of **Zidon** [Sidon] and **Arvad** [Cyprus] were thy mariners:

• thy wise *men*, O **Tyrus** [**Tyre**], *that* were in thee, were thy pilots.

Eze 27:9 The ancients of **Gebal** and the wise *men* thereof were in thee thy calkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.

# Army

Eze 27:10 They of Persia and of Lud and of Phut [Libya] were in thine army, thy men of war:

- they hanged the shield and helmet in thee;
- they set forth thy comeliness.

Eze 27:11 The men of Arvad with thine army were upon thy walls round about, and the **Gammadims** were in thy towers:

- they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about;
- they have made thy beauty perfect.

### Merchants

Eze 27:12 Tarshish was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all kind of riches;

• with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.

Eze 27:13 Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were thy merchants:

• they traded the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy market.

Eze 27:14 They of the house of Togarmah [Javan, Ephesus]

• traded in thy fairs with horses and horsemen and mules.

Eze 27:15 The men of **Dedan** were thy merchants;

many isles were the merchandise of thine hand:

• they brought thee *for* a present horns of ivory and ebony.

Eze 27:16 Syria [the west part that is Aram] was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares of thy making:

• they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and broidered work, and fine linen, and coral, and agate.

Eze 27:17 Judah, and the land of Israel, they were thy merchants:

 they traded in thy market wheat of Minnith, and Pannag, and honey, and oil, and halm

Eze 27:18 Damascus was thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making,

• for the multitude of all riches; in the wine of Helbon, and white wool.

Eze 27:19 Dan also and Javan going to and fro

- occupied in thy fairs: [traded with yarn from Uzal/Arabia] Amplified Bible
- bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

Eze 27:20 Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.

Eze 27:21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar,

• they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these *were they* thy merchants.

Eze 27:22 The merchants of Sheba [Yemen] and Raamah,

• they were thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.

Eze 27:23 Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, and Chilmad, were thy merchants.

## Eze 27:24

"They traded with you

- in choice garments,
- in clothes of blue and embroidered work,
- and in carpets of many colors,
- and tightly wound cords,

which were among your merchandise.

(NASV)

Eze 27:24 These *were* thy merchants in all sorts *of things*,

- in blue clothes,
- and broidered work,
- and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar,

among thy merchandise.

(KJV)

Eze 27:25 The ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.

Eze 27:26 Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters:

the east wind hath broken thee in the midst of the seas.

- Eze 27:27 Thy riches,
- and thy fairs[wares],
- thy merchandise,
- thy mariners, and thy pilots,
- thy calkers,
- and the occupiers [dealers] of thy merchandise,
- and all thy men of war, that are in thee,
- and in all thy company which is in the midst of thee,

shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin.

Eze 27:28 The suburbs [pasture lands] shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

Eze 27:29 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, *and* all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships,

they shall stand upon the land;

Eze 27:30 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes:

Eze 27:31 And they shall make themselves utterly bald for thee,

and gird them with sackcloth,

and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart and bitter wailing.

Eze 27:32 And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee, saying,

What *city is* like **Tyrus** [**Tyre**], like the destroyed in the midst of the sea? Eze 27:33 When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.

Eze 27:34 In the time *when* thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.

Eze 27:35 All the inhabitants of the isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid,

they shall be troubled in their countenance.

Eze 27:36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee;

thou shalt be a terror,

and never shalt be any more.

# Eze 28:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

# Eze 28:2 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus [Tyre],

# Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because thine heart *is* lifted up, and thou hast said, I *am* a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the midst of the seas;

# yet thou art a man, and not God,

though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:

Eze 28:3 Behold, thou art wiser than **Daniel**; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:

Eze 28:4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:

Eze 28:5 By thy great wisdom *and* by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

## Eze 28:6 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

Eze 28:7 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

Eze 28:8 They shall bring thee down to the pit,

and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas.

Eze 28:9 Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God?

but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.

Eze 28:10 Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers:

for I have spoken it, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 28:11 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 28:12 Son of man,

# take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus [Tyre], and say unto him,

# Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Thou sealest up the sum,

full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

Eze 28:13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God;

every precious stone was thy covering,

- the sardius,
- topaz,
- and the diamond,
- the beryl,
- the onyx,
- and the jasper,
- the sapphire,
- the emerald,
- and the carbuncle,
- and gold:

the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

Eze 28:14 Thou *art* the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee *so:* thou wast upon the holy mountain of God;

thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Eze 28:15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

Eze 28:16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned:

therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

# Eze 28:17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty,

thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness:

I will cast thee to the ground,

I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

Eze 28:18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick;

therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee. Eze 28:19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

Eze 28:20 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 28:21 Son of man,

set thy face against **Zidon** [Sidon], and prophesy against it, Eze 28:22 And say,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I *am* against thee, O **Zidon** [Sidon]; and I will be glorified in the midst of thee:

and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall have executed judgments in her,

and shall be sanctified in her.

Eze 28:23 For I will send into her pestilence,

and blood into her streets;

and the wounded shall be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side;

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 28:24 And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto **the house of Israel,** nor *any* grieving thorn of all *that are* round about them, that despised them;

and they shall know that I am the LORD GOD.

Eze 28:25 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

# When I shall have gathered **the house of Israel** from the people among whom they are scattered,

and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen,

then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.

Eze 28:26 And they shall dwell safely therein,

and shall build houses,

and plant vineyards;

yea, they shall dwell with confidence.

when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them;

and they shall know that I am the LORD their God.

# Year 11-Month 3-Day 1 of the exile of Jehoiachin And Year 11 of Zedekiah

Eze 31:1 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 31:2 Son of man,

speak unto **Pharaoh king of Egypt**, and to his multitude;

Whom art thou like in thy greatness?

Eze 31:3

# Behold, the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon

with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud,

and of an high stature;

and his top was among the thick boughs.

Eze 31:4 The waters made him great,

the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

Eze 31:5 Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied,

and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

Eze 31:6 All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs,

and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.

Eze 31:7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

Eze 31:8 The **cedars** in **the garden of God** could not hide him:

the **fir trees** were not like his boughs.

and the **chesnut trees** were not like his branches;

nor any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.

Eze 31:9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches:

so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied him.

### Eze 31:10

Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height;

# Eze 31:11

### I have therefore

delivered him into the hand of **the mighty one of the heathen**; **he** shall surely deal with **him**:

I have driven him out for **his** wickedness.

Eze 31:12 And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.

Eze 31:13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches:

Eze 31:14 To the end that

- none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height,
- neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs,
- neither their trees stand up in their height, all that drink water:

for they are all delivered

- unto death.
- to the nether parts of the earth,
- in the midst of the children of men,
- with them that go down to the pit.

### Eze 31:15

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused **Lebanon** to mourn for **him**, and all the trees of the field fainted for **him**.

Eze 31:16 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit:

- and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.
- Eze 31:17 They also went down into hell with him unto *them that be* slain with the sword:
- and they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen.

Eze 31:18 To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword.

This is **Pharaoh** and all his multitude,

saith the LORD GOD.

# Year 11 Month 4 Day 9 of Zedekiah and Yearl 11 of exile of Jehoiachin

2Ki 25:3 **And on the ninth** *day* **of the** *fourth* **month** the famine prevailed in the city, and there was no bread for the people of the land.

Jer 52:6 And in the fourth month, in the ninth *day* of the month, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land.

# Zedekiah and his sons and nobles taken to Babylon and put to death

2Ki 25:4 And the city was broken up,

Jer 52:7 Then the city was broken up,

and all the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which was by the king's garden; (now the **Chaldeans** were by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.

Jer 52:8 But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.

Jer 52:9 Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Rebylon to Pibloh in the land of

Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; where he gave judgment upon him.

Jer 52:10 And the king of

Jer 52:10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.

Jer 52:11 Then he put out the eyes of **Zedekiah**; and the king of **Babylon** bound him in chains, and carried him to **Babylon**, and put him in prison till the day of his death.

Jer 39:2 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month,

the city was broken up.
Jer 39:3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate,

- even Nergalsharezer,
- Samgarnebo,
- Sarsechim, Rabsaris,
- Nergalsharezer, Rabmag,
- with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.

Jer 39:4 And it came to pass, *that* when **Zedekiah the king of Judah** saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls:

and he went out the way of the plain.
Note: as prophesied in Ezekiel 12
Jer 39:5 But the Chaldeans' army
pursued after them, and overtook
Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho:

and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him.

Jer 39:6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

Jer 39:7 Moreover he put out **Zedekiah's** eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to **Babylon**.

and all the men of war *fled* by night by the way of the gate between two walls, which *is* by the king's garden: (now the **Chaldees** *were* against the city round about:) and *the king* went the way toward the plain.

2Ki 25:5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of Jericho: and all his army were scattered from him.

2Ki 25:6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of **Babylon** to Riblah; and they gave judgment upon him.

2Ki 25:7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes,

and put out the eyes of **Zedekiah**, and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried him to **Babylon**.

# Year 11 of Zedekiah and Year 11 of exile of Jehoiachin

# Jerusalem is burned by Nebuchadnezzar

Note: Discrepancy in time

2Ki 25:8 And in the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month, which is the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan, captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:

2Ki 25:9 And he burnt

- the house of the LORD,
- and the king's house,
- and all the houses of **Jerusalem**,
- and every great man's house

burnt he with fire.

2Ki 25:10 And all the army of the **Chaldees**, that *were with* the captain of the guard, brake down the walls of **Jerusalem** round about.

Jer 52:12 Now in the fifth month, in the tenth day of the month, which was the nineteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan, captain of the guard, which served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem,

Jer 52:13 And burned

- the house of the LORD,
- and the king's house;
- and all the houses of **Jerusalem**,
- and all the houses of the great *men*,

burned he with fire:

Jer 52:14 And all the army of the **Chaldeans**, that *were* with the captain of the guard, brake down all the walls of **Jerusalem** round about.

Jer 39:8 And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire,

and brake down the walls of **Jerusalem**.

# Jerusalem (except the poor) carried into exile

- 2Ki 25:11 Now the rest of the people *that were* left in the city,
- and the fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon,
- with the remnant of the multitude,

did Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carry away.

2Ki 25:12 But the captain of the guard left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and husbandmen.

Jer 52:15 Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive

- *certain* of the poor of the people,
- and the residue of the people that remained in the city,
- and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.

Jer 52:16 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left *certain* of the poor of the land for vinedressers and for husbandmen.

Jer 39:9 Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive into **Babylon** 

- the remnant of the people that remained in the city,
- and those that fell away,
- that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

Jer 39:10 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

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Psa 94:1 O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.
Psa 94:2 Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.
Psa 94:3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?
Psa 94:4 How long shall they utter and speak hard things? and all the workers of iniquity boast themselves?
Psa 94:5 They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.
Psa 94:6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.
Psa 94:7 Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.
Psa 94:8 Understand, ye brutish among the people: and ye fools, when will ye be wise?
Psa 94:9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?
Psa 94:10 He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not be correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not be
know?
Psa 94:11 The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.
Psa 94:12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;
Psa 94:13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.
Psa 94:14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.
Psa 94:15 But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.
Psa 94:16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? or who will stand up for me against the workers of
iniquity?
Psa 94:17 Unless the LORD had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.
Psa 94:18 When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.
Psa 94:19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.
Psa 94:20 Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?
Psa 94:21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.
Psa 94:22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge.
Psa 94:23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; yea,
the LORD our God shall cut them off.
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# The house of the LORD is burned and All articles of the Temple taken to Babylon

## 2Ch 36:18 And

- all the **vessels** of **the house of God**, great and small,
- and the treasures of the house of the LORD,
- and the treasures of the king, and of his princes;

all these he brought to **Babylon**.

# 2Ch 36:19 And they

- burnt the house of God,
- and brake down the wall of Jerusalem.
- and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire,
- and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.

2Ch 36:20 And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to **Babylon**; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:

2Ch 36:21 To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years.

• 2Ki 25:13 And the pillars of brass

that were in the house of the LORD,

- and the bases,
- and the brasen sea

that was in the house of the LORD, did the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to **Babylon**.

- 2Ki 25:14 And the pots,
- and the shovels,
- and the snuffers,
- •
- and the spoons,
- and all the vessels of brass

wherewith they ministered, took they away.

- 2Ki 25:15 And the firepans,
- and the bowls,

• and such things as were of gold, in gold, and of silver, in silver,

the captain of the guard took away.

- 2Ki 25:16 The two pillars,
- one sea,
- and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the LORD;

•

the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

2Ki 25:17 The height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits,

and the chapiter [capital] upon it *was* brass: and the height of the chapiter three cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapiter round about, all of brass:

and like unto these had the second pillar with wreathen work.

Note: Discrepancy in the height of the capital plus missing items in the documentation in Kings.

Jer 52:17 Also the pillars of brass

that were in the house of the LORD,

and the bases.

and the brasen sea

that was in the house of the LORD,

the **Chaldeans** brake, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon.

- Jer 52:18 The caldrons also,
- and the shovels,
- and the snuffers.
- and the bowls,
- and the spoons, a
- and all the vessels of brass

wherewith they ministered,

took they away.

- Jer 52:19 And the basons,
- and the firepans,
- and the bowls,
- and the caldrons,
- and the candlesticks,
- and the spoons,
- and the cups;
- that which was of gold in gold, and that which was of silver in silver,

took the captain of the guard away.

- Jer 52:20 The two pillars,
- one sea.
- and twelve brasen bulls that were under the bases, which king Solomon had made in the house of the LORD:
- and the stands, which King Solomon had made for the house of the LORD-- (added in the NASV but not KJV)

the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

Jer 52:21 And concerning the pillars,

the height of one pillar was eighteen cubits; and a fillet of twelve cubits did compass it; and the thickness thereof was four fingers: it was hollow.

Jer 52:22 And a chapiter [capital] of brass *was* upon it; and the height of one chapiter *was* five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the chapiters round about, all *of* brass.

The second pillar also and the pomegranates were like unto these.

Jer 52:23 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side;

and all the pomegranates upon the network were an hundred round about.

# Officers of Judah put to death in Babylon

2Ki 25:18 And the captain of the guard took

- Seraiah the chief priest,
- and Zephaniah the second priest,
- and the three keepers of the door:

2Ki 25:19 And out of the city he took

- an officer that was set over the men of war,
- •
- and five men of them that were in the king's presence, which were found in the city, (Note: discrepancy in count)
- and the principal scribe of the host, which mustered the people of the land,
- and threescore men of the people of the land that were found in the city:

2Ki 25:20 And Nebuzaradan captain of the guard took these, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah:

2Ki 25:21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath.

So Judah was carried away out of their land.

Jer 52:24 And the captain of the guard took

- Seraiah the chief priest,
- and Zephaniah the second priest,
- and the three keepers of the door:

Jer 52:25 He took also out of the city

- an eunuch, which had the charge of the men of war;
- and seven men of them that were near the king's person, which were found in the city;
- and the principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land;
- and threescore men of the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city.

Jer 52:26 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

Jer 52:27 And the king of Babylon smote them, and put them to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath.

Thus Judah was carried away captive out of his own land

# Comment - Census of those taken into exile in Babylon

Jer 52:28 This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive:

- in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty: (3023)
- Jer 52:29 In the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons: (832) (Note: 10<sup>th</sup> year of Jehoiach's exile)
- Jer 52:30 In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: (745) (Note: 15<sup>th</sup> year of Jehoiachin's exile)

all the persons were four thousand and six hundred. (4600)

Note: It is likely most of Judah was killed in battle or by the LORD directly, judging by the relatively few numbers taken to Babylon.

# 2Ki 25:22 And as for the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

2Ki 25:23 And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor,

there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah,

- even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah,
- and Johanan the son of Careah,
- and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite,

# The Army of Judah comes under the authority of **Gedaliah**

Jer 40:7 Now when all the captains of the forces which were in the fields, even they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

Jer 40:8 Then they came to **Gedaliah** to Mizpah,

- even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah,
- and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah,
- and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth,
- •
- and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite,

• and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

2Ki 25:24 And **Gedaliah** sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them,

Fear not to be the servants of the **Chaldees**: dwell in the land, and serve **the king of Babylon**; and it shall be well with you.

• and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

Jer 40:9 And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan sware unto them and to their men, saying, Fear not to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you. Jer 40:10 As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah to serve the Chaldeans, which will come unto us: but ye, gather ye wine, and summer fruits, and oil, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye have

taken.

# Nebuchadnezzar orders Jeremiah to be protected in exile

Jer 39:11 Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, saying,

Jer 39:12 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm:

but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.

Jer 39:13 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard sent,

and Nebushasban, Rabsaris, and Nergalsharezer, Rabmag.

and all the king of Babylon's princes;

Jer 39:14 Even they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the prison,

and committed him unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home:

so he dwelt among the people.

**Jer 40:1** (see 2 kings 25)

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in chains among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried away captive unto Babylon.

Jer 40:2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him,

The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.

Jer 40:3 Now the LORD hath brought *it*, and done according as he hath said:

**because** ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed his voice,

therefore this thing is come upon you.

Jer 40:4 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which *were* upon thine hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into **Babylon**, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into **Babylon**, forbear:

behold, all the land *is* before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.

Jer 40:5 Now while **he [Jeremiah]** was not yet gone back, *he said*,

Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan,

whom **the king of Babylon** hath made governor over the **cities of Judah**, and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go.

So **the captain of the guard** gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.

Jer 40:6 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah;

and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.

# The Jews exiled to other countries return to come under the authority of Gedaliah

Jer 40:11 Likewise when all the Jews

that were in Moab, and among the Ammonites,

and in **Edom**,

and that were in all the countries,

heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah,

and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan;

Jer 40:12 Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to **the land of Judah**, to **Gedaliah**, unto **Mizpah**, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

# Year 11 of Zedekiah and Yearl 11 of exile of Jehoiachin

# The king of Ammon has Gedaliah assassinated

Jer 40:13 Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces that were in the fields,

came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, Jer 40:14 And said unto him,

Dost thou certainly know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay thee?

### But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not.

Jer 40:15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying,

Let me go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it:

wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in **Judah** perish?

Jer 40:16 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah,

Thou shalt not do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

2Ki 25:25 But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten men with him,

and smote Gedaliah, that he died,

and the Jews and the **Chaldees** that were with him at Mizpah.

2Ki 25:26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, and came to **Egypt**: for they were afraid of the **Chaldees**.

Jer 41:1 Now it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah.

Jer 41:2 Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land.

Jer 41:3 Ishmael also slew

- all the Jews that were with him, even with **Gedaliah**, at **Mizpah**,
- and the Chaldeans that were found there,
- and the men of war.

# Ishmael of Ammon slays eighty men of Judah who were bringing offerings to the house of the LORD

Jer 41:4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew it,

Jer 41:5 That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore men,

having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves,

with offerings and incense in their hand, to bring them to the house of the LORD.

Jer 41:6 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

Jer 41:7 And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city,

that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, and cast them into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that were with him

Jer 41:8 But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael,

Slay us not: for we have treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey.

So he forbare [refrained], and slew them not among their brethren.

Jer 41:9 Now the pit

wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain because of Gedaliah, was it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel:

and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slain.

# Ismael's attempt to carry the remnant left behind in Judah to Ammon is thwarted by Johanan

Jer 41:10 Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that were in Mizpah, even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

### Jer 41:11 But when Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces that were with him,

heard of all the evil that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done,

Jer 41:12 Then they took all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah,

and found him by the great waters that are in Gibeon.

Jer 41:13 Now it came to pass,

that when all the people which were with Ishmael

saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, then they were glad.

Jer 41:14 So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from Mizpah

cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

Jer 41:15 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

### Jer 41:16 Then took Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces that were with him,

all the remnant of the people whom he had recovered from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after that he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam,

even mighty men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs, whom he had brought again from Gibeon:

# The remnant consider fleeing to Egypt because of the death of Gedaliah

Jer 41:17 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, which is by Bethlehem, to go to enter into Egypt,

Jer 41:18 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them,

because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

Jer 42:1 Then all the captains of the forces,

and Johanan the son of Kareah,

and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah,

and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, came near,

Jer 42:2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet,

Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, even for all this remnant; (for we are left but a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)

Jer 42:3 That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

# Jer 42:4 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them,

I have heard *vou*:

behold, I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words;

and it shall come to pass, *that* whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare *it* unto you;

I will keep nothing back from you.

# Jer 42:5 Then they said to Jeremiah,

The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us.

if we do not even according to all things

for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.

Jer 42:6 Whether it be good, or whether it be evil,

we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee;

hat it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

# Jeremiah says stay and prosper in Judah else die in Egypt by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar

Jer 42:7 And it came to pass after ten days,

that the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

Jer 42:8 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces which were with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest,

Jer 42:9 And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him;

# Jer 42:10 If ye will still abide in this land,

then will I build you, and not pull you down,

and I will plant you, and not pluck you up:

for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you.

Jer 42:11 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid;

be not afraid of him, saith the LORD:

for I am with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.

Jer 42:12 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.

Jer 42:13 But if ye say,

We will not dwell in this land,

neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,

Jer 42:14 Saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt,

where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:

Jer 42:15 And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah;

## Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

# If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;

Jer 42:16 Then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye feared,

shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt,

and the famine, whereof ye were afraid,

shall follow close after you there in **Egypt**; and there ye shall die.

Jer 42:17 So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there;

they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

and none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.

## Jer 42:18

For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

As mine anger and my fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt:

and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.

Jer 42:19 The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah;

Go ye not into **Egypt**:

know certainly that I have admonished you this day.

Jer 42:20 For ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying, Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do *it*.

Jer 42:21 And now I have this day declared it to you;

but ye have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God,

nor any thing for the which he hath sent me unto you.

Jer 42:22 Now therefore know certainly

that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence,

in the place whither ye desire to go and to sojourn.

# The remnant of Judah elect to go to Egypt

**Jer 43:1** And it came to pass, *that* when **Jeremiah** had made an end of speaking unto all the people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, *even* all these words.

Jer 43:2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah,

Thou speakest falsely:

the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:

Jer 43:3 But Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against us,

for to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans,

that they might put us to death, and carry us away captives into **Babylon**.

Jer 43:4 So Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces,

and all the people,

obeyed not the voice of the LORD, to dwell in the land of Judah.

### Jer 43:5 But Johanan the son of Kareah,

and all the captains of the forces,

took all the remnant of Judah,

- that were returned from all nations, whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;
- Jer 43:6 Even men, and women, and children, and the king's daughters,
- and every person that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan,
- and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.

Jer 43:7 So they came into **the land of Egypt:** for they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: thus came they *even* to **Tahpanhes**.

# Egypt along with the remnant of Judah to be punished by Nebuchadnezzar

Jer 43:8

Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

Jer 43:9 Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay in the brickkiln, which *is* at the entry of **Pharaoh's house in Tahpanhes**, in the sight of **the men of Judah**;

Jer 43:10 And say unto them,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Behold, I will send and take **Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon**, my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.

Jer 43:11 And when he cometh, he shall smite **the land of Egypt**, and deliver

- such as are for death to death;
  - and such *as are* for captivity to captivity;
  - and such *as are* for the sword to the sword.

Jer 43:12 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt;

and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives:

and he shall array himself with **the land of Egypt**, as a shepherd putteth on his garment; and he shall go forth from thence in peace.

Jer 43:13 He shall break also the images [obelisks] of Bethshemesh [Heliopolis], that is in the land of Egypt;

and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.

# Year 12-Month 10-Day 5 of the exile of Jehoiachin

# Fall of Jerusalem

Eze 33:21 And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth month, in the fifth day of the month,

that one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying,
The city is smitten.

Eze 33:22 Now the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb.

Eze 33:23 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Eze 33:24 Son of man,

# they that inhabit those wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying,

Abraham was one, and he inherited the land: but we are many; the land is given us for inheritance.

# Eze 33:25 Wherefore say unto them,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Ye eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes toward your idols, and shed blood:

and shall ve possess the land?

Eze 33:26 Ye stand upon your sword, ve work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife:

and shall ye possess the land?

Eze 33:27 Say thou thus unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD; As I live,

> surely they that *are* in the wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that is in the open field will I give to the beasts to be devoured, and they that be in the forts and in the caves shall die of the pestilence.

Eze 33:28 For I will lay the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.

Eze 33:29 Then shall they know that I am the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed.

Eze 33:30 Also, thou son of man,

the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying,

Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.

Eze 33:31 And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as my people, and they hear thy words,

but they will not do them: for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness.

Eze 33:32 And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument:

for they hear thy words, but they do them not.

Eze 33:33 And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,)

then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.

Eze 34:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 34:2 Son of man,

# prophesy against the shepherds of Israel,

prophesy, and say unto them,

# Thus saith the LORD GOD unto the shepherds;

Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

Eze 34:3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not the flock.

Eze 34:4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up *that which was* broken,

neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

Eze 34:5 And they were scattered, because *there is* no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

Eze 34:6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek *after them*.

Eze 34:7 Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

Eze 34:8 As I live, saith the LORD GOD,

surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;

Eze 34:9 Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

## Eze 34:10 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

## Eze 34:11 For thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

Eze 34:12 As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep *that are* scattered;

so will I seek out my sheep,

and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

Eze 34:13 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the

country.

Eze 34:14 I will feed them in a good pasture,

and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be:

there shall they lie in a good fold, and *in* a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel

Eze 34:15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 34:16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick:

but I will destroy **the fat and the strong**; I will feed them with judgment.

Eze 34:17 And as for you, O my flock, thus saith the LORD GOD;

# Behold, I judge

- between cattle and cattle,
- between the rams and the he goats.

Eze 34:18 Seemeth it a small thing unto you

- to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures?
- and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

## Eze 34:19 And as for my flock,

- they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet;
- and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

# God will deliver His own from wicked shepherds

Eze 34:20 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD unto them;

Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

### Eze 34:21 Because

ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;

## Eze 34:22 Therefore

will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.

Eze 34:23 And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.

Eze 34:24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them;

I the LORD have spoken it.

Eze 34:25 And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

Eze 34:26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

Eze 34:27 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land,

## and shall know that I am the LORD,

- when I have broken the bands of their yoke,
- and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.

Eze 34:28 And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them;

but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.

Eze 34:29 And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. Eze 34:30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God *am* with them,

### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 34:31 And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God,

and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 35:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 35:2 Son of man,

set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it,

Eze 35:3 And say unto it,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, O mount Seir, I am against thee, and I will stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee most desolate.

Eze 35:4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate.

and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

Eze 35:5 **Because** thou hast had a perpetual hatred, and hast shed *the blood of* the children of Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time *that their* iniquity *had* an end:

## Eze 35:6 Therefore, as I live, saith the LORD GOD,

I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall pursue thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.

Eze 35:7 Thus will I make mount Seir most desolate,

and cut off from it him that passeth out [through] and him that returneth.

Eze 35:8 And I will fill his mountains with his slain *men*:

in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.

Eze 35:9 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return:

# and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

### Eze 35:10 Because thou hast said,

These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:

## Eze 35:11 Therefore, as I live, saith the LORD GOD,

# I will even do

- according to thine anger,
- and according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.

# Eze 35:12 And thou shalt know that I am the LORD,

and that I have heard all thy blasphemies which thou hast spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying,

They are laid desolate, they are given us to consume.

Eze 35:13 Thus with your mouth ye have boasted against me, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard *them*.

# Eze 35:14 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.

Eze 35:15 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of **the house of Israel**, because it was desolate,

so will I do unto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea [Edom], even all of it:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

# prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say,

Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD:

Eze 36:2 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even the ancient high places are ours in possession:

Eze 36:3 Therefore prophesy and say,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

### Because

- they have made you desolate,
- and swallowed you up on every side,
- that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen,
- and ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and *are* an infamy [the whispering] of the people:

Eze 36:4 **Therefore**, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD GOD;

## Thus saith the LORD GOD

- to the mountains, and to the hills,
- to the rivers, and to the valleys,
- to the desolate wastes,
- and to the cities that are forsaken,

which became a prey and derision to the residue of the heathen that are round about;

Eze 36:5 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken

- against the residue of the heathen,
- and against all Idumea,

which have appointed **my land** into their possession with the joy of all *their* heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey.

Eze 36:6

# Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel,

## and say

- unto the mountains, and to the hills,
- to the rivers, and to the valleys,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:

# Eze 36:7 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

I have lifted up mine hand,

Surely the heathen that *are* about you, they shall bear their shame.

Eze 36:8 But ye, O mountains of Israel,

ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.

Eze 36:9 For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you,

and ye shall be tilled and sown:

Eze 36:10 And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it:

and the cities shall be inhabited,

and the wastes shall be builded:

Eze 36:11 And I will multiply upon you man and beast;

and they shall increase and bring fruit:

and I will settle you after your old estates,

and will do better *unto you* than at your beginnings:

# and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 36:12 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, even my people Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them of men.

Eze 36:13

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Because they say unto you, Thou *land* devourest up men, and hast bereaved thy nations;

Eze 36:14 Therefore

thou shalt devour men no more, neither bereave thy nations any more, saith the LORD GOD. Eze 36:15 Neither will I cause men to hear in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither shalt thou bear the reproach of the people any more, neither shalt thou cause thy nations to fall any more,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 36:16 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 36:17 Son of man.

when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land,

they defiled it by their own way and by their doings:

their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman [a woman in her menstral period].

Eze 36:18 Wherefore I poured my fury upon them

- for the blood that they had shed upon the land,
- and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it:

Eze 36:19 And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries:

according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.

Eze 36:20 And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These are the people of the LORD, and [yet] are gone forth out of his land.

Eze 36:21 But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither [where] they went.

# Eze 36:22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel,

### Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel,

but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. Eze 36:23 And I will sanctify [pronounce/prove as holy] my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them;

# and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the LORD GOD,

when I shall be sanctified [pronounced/proved as holy] in you before their eyes.

Eze 36:24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.
Eze 36:25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

Eze 36:26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. Eze 36:27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments [verdicts], and do them.

Eze 36:28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Eze 36:29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you. Eze 36:30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.

Eze 36:31 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that *were* not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.

Eze 36:32 *Not for your sakes do I this, saith* the LORD *GOD*, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, **O house of Israel.** 

# Eze 36:33 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

## In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities

I will also cause *you* to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded. Eze 36:34 And the desolate land shall be tilled,

whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

Eze 36:35 And they shall say,

This land that was desolate is become like **the garden of Eden**; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities *are become* fenced, *and* are inhabited.

Eze 36:36 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined *places*, *and* plant that that was desolate:

I the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it.

Eze 36:37 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will yet *for* this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do *it* for them; I will increase them with men like a flock. Eze 36:38 As the holy flock, as the flock of **Jerusalem** in her solemn feasts;

so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

# Valley of the Dry Bones of Judah and Israel

Eze 37:1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD,

and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

Eze 37:2 And caused me to pass by them round about:

and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.

Eze 37:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live?

And I answered,
O Lord GOD, thou knowest.

Eze 37:4 Again he said unto me,

Prophesy upon these bones,

and say unto them,

O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

Eze 37:5 Thus saith the LORD GOD unto these bones;

Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: Eze 37:6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 37:7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold

a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

Eze 37:8 And when I beheld, lo,

the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above:

but there was no breath in them.

Eze 37:9 Then said he unto me,

# Prophesy unto the wind,

prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

Eze 37:10 So I prophesied as he commanded me,

and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

Eze 37:11 Then he said unto me, Son of man,

these bones are the whole house of Israel:

behold, they say,
Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost:
we are cut off for our parts.

Eze 37:12 Therefore prophesy and say unto them,

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

Eze 37:13 And ye shall know that I am the LORD,

when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves, Eze 37:14 *And shall put my spirit in you*, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land:

then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD.

# Israel and Judah to become one nation again

Eze 37:15 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

Eze 37:16 Moreover, thou son of man,

take thee one stick, and write upon it,

• For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions:

then take another stick, and write upon it,

• For Joseph, the stick of **Ephraim**, and *for* all the house of Israel his companions:

Eze 37:17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

Eze 37:18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou *meanest* by these?

Eze 37:19 Say unto them,

## Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will take **the stick of Joseph**, which *is* in the hand of **Ephraim**, **and the tribes of Israel his fellows**,

and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah,

and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

Eze 37:20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

Eze 37:21 And say unto them, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

Eze 37:22 And I will make them **one nation in the land** upon the mountains of Israel;

- and **one king** shall be king to them all:
- and they shall be **no more two nations**,
- neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:

Eze 37:23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more

- with their idols,
- nor with their detestable things,
- nor with any of their transgressions:

but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them:

so shall they be my people, and I will be their God.

Eze 37:24 And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd:

they shall also

- walk in my judgments,
- and observe my statutes,
- and do them.

Eze 37:25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt;

and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever:

and my servant David shall be their prince for ever.

Eze 37:26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them:

and I will place them, and multiply them,

and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

Eze 37:27 **My tabernacle** also shall be with them:

yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Eze 37:28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

Eze 38:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 38:2 Son of man,

set thy face against Gog, {of} the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

Eze 38:3 And say,

## Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I am against thee, O Gog,

• the chief prince of {NASV:Rosh}, Meshech and Tubal: (note: in today's Turkey)

Eze 38:4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws,

and I will bring

- thee forth,
- and all thine army,
  - o horses and horsemen,
  - o all of them clothed with all sorts of armour,
  - o even a great company with bucklers and shields,
  - o all of them handling swords:
- Eze 38:5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:
- Eze 38:6 **Gomer**, and all his bands;
- the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands:

and many people with thee.

Eze 38:7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

Eze 38:8 After many days thou shalt be visited:

in the latter years thou shalt come into the land

- *that is* brought back from the sword,
- and is gathered out of many people,
- against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste:
- but it is brought forth out of the nations,
- and they shall dwell safely all of them.

Eze 38:9 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm.

thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land,

thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

# Eze 38:10 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

It shall also come to pass, *that* at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought [plan]: Eze 38:11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages;

## I will go to them

- that are at rest,
- that dwell safely,
- all of them dwelling without walls,

• and having neither bars nor gates,

Eze 38:12 To take a spoil, and to take a prey;

to turn thine hand upon the desolate places *that are now* inhabited, and upon the people *that are* gathered out of the nations,

- which have gotten cattle and goods,
- that dwell in the midst of the land.

Eze 38:13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish,

with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee,

Art thou come to take a spoil?

hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey?

to carry away silver and gold,

to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

Eze 38:14 Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

Eze 38:15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts,

- thou, and many people with thee,
- all of them riding upon horses,
- a great company, and a mighty army:

Eze 38:16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land,

### that the heathen may know me,

when I shall be sanctified [pronounced as holy] in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.

# Eze 38:17 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time

by my servants the prophets of Israel,

which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?

Eze 38:18 And it shall come to pass at the same time

when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the LORD GOD,

that my fury shall come up in my face.

Eze 38:19 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken,

Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking [earthquake] in the land of Israel; Eze 38:20 So that

- the fishes of the sea,
- and the fowls of the heaven,
- and the beasts of the field,
- and all creeping things that creep upon the earth,
- and all the men that *are* upon the face of the earth,

shall shake at my presence,

and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

Eze 38:21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains,

## saith the LORD GOD:

every man's sword shall be against his brother.

Eze 38:22 And I will plead against [judge him] him with **pestilence** and with **blood**; and I will rain

- upon him,
- and upon his bands,
- and upon the many people that are with him,

an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

Eze 38:23 Thus will I

- magnify myself,
- and sanctify myself;
- and I will be known

in the eyes of many nations,

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 39:1 Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I am against thee, O Gog,

• the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

Eze 39:2 And I will

- turn thee back,
- and leave but the sixth part of thee [and drive you on],
- and will cause thee to come up from the north parts,

and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

Eze 39:3 And I will

- smite thy bow out of thy left hand,
- and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

Eze 39:4 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel,

thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee:

I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

Eze 39:5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field:

for I have spoken it, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 39:6 And I will send a **fire** on

- Magog,
- and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 39:7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of **my people Israel**; and I will not *let them* pollute my holy name any more:

and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.

Eze 39:8 Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the LORD GOD;

this is the day whereof I have spoken.

Eze 39:9 And they that dwell in **the cities of Israel** shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons,

- both the shields and the bucklers.
- the bows and the arrows,
- and the handstaves [clubs], and the spears,

and they shall burn them with fire **seven years**: Eze 39:10 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down *any* out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire:

and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 39:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the *noses* of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of Hamongog.

Eze 39:12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.

Eze 39:13 Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them*; and it shall be to them a renown **the day that I shall be glorified**,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 39:14 And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it:

after the end of seven months shall they search.

Eze 39:15 And the passengers *that* pass through the land, when *any* seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamongog. Eze 39:16 And also the name of the city *shall be* Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.

#### The enemies of Israel to be a feast for birds and beasts

#### Eze 39:17

And, thou son of man, thus saith the LORD GOD;

Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field,

Assemble yourselves, and come;

gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you,

even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel,

that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

Eze 39:18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty,

and drink the blood of the princes of the earth,

of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

Eze 39:19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

Eze 39:20 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

#### Note:

Rev 19:17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

Rev 19:18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men*, *both* free and bond, both small and great. Rev 19:19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Rev 19:21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

#### God will restore Israel

Eze 39:21 And I will set my glory among the heathen,

and all the heathen shall see

- my judgment that I have executed,
- and my hand that I have laid upon them.

Eze 39:22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward.

#### Eze 39:23 And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity

- for their iniquity:
- because they trespassed against me,
- therefore hid I my face from them,
- and gave them into the hand of their enemies:
- so fell they all by the sword.
- Eze 39:24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them,
- and hid my face from them.

#### Eze 39:25 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Now will I bring again the captivity [restore the fortunes] of Jacob, and have mercy upon **the whole house of Israel**, and will be jealous for my holy name;

Eze 39:26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me,

- when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made *them* afraid.
- Eze 39:27 When I have brought them again from the people,
- and gathered them out of their enemies' lands,

and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; Eze 39:28 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God,

which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen:

but I have gathered them unto their own land,

and have left none of them any more there.

Eze 39:29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them:

for I {shall} have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel,

saith the LORD GOD.

# Year 12- Month 12-Day 1 of the exile of Jehoiachin

Eze 32:1 And it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 32:2 Son of man,

take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt,

and say unto him,

#### Thou art like a young lion of the nations,

and thou *art* as a whale in the seas: and thou camest forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.

Eze 32:3

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will therefore spread out my net over thee with a company of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net.

Eze 32:4 Then will I leave thee upon the land,

I will cast thee forth upon the open field,

and will cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee,

and I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.

Eze 32:5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains,

and fill the valleys with thy height.

Eze 32:6 I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest, even to the mountains; and the rivers shall be full of thee.

Eze 32:7 And when I shall put thee out [extinguish you], I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark;

I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.

Eze 32:8 All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 32:9 I will also vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

Eze 32:10 Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at *every* moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall.

#### Eze 32:11

For thus saith the LORD GOD;

The sword of **the king of Babylon** shall come upon thee. Eze 32:12 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them: and they shall spoil **the pomp of Egypt**, and all **the multitude** thereof shall be destroyed.

Eze 32:13 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; neither shall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.

Eze 32:14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 32:15 When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the country shall be destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know that I am the LORD.

Eze 32:16 This *is* the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for her, *even* for **Egypt**, and for all her multitude,

saith the LORD GOD.

# Sword and Famine await the remnant Judeans who went to Egypt to sacrifice to the Queen of Heaven

Jer 44:1

The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews which dwell in the land of Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of Pathros, saying,

Jer 44:2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Ye have seen all the evil [calamity] that I have brought upon **Jerusalem**, and upon **all the cities of Judah**; and, behold, this day they *are* a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein, Jer 44:3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went to burn incense, *and* to serve other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, ye, nor your fathers.

Jer 44:4 Howbeit I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising early and sending them, saying,

Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.

Jer 44:5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

Jer 44:6 Wherefore my fury and mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in **the cities of Judah** and in the streets of **Jerusalem**; and they are wasted *and* desolate, as at this day.

#### Jer 44:7 Therefore now

thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel;

Wherefore commit ye this great evil against your souls,

- to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, out of **Judah**,
- to leave you none to remain;
- Jer 44:8 In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands,
- burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell,
- that ye might cut yourselves off,
- and that ye might be a curse and a reproach among all **the nations** of the earth?

#### Jer 44:9 Have ye forgotten

- the wickedness of your fathers,
- and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the wickedness of their wives,
- and your own wickedness, and the wickedness of your wives,

which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?

Jer 44:10 They are not humbled even unto this day,

neither have they feared, nor walked in my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.

Jer 44:11 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;

Behold, I will set my face against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.

Jer 44:12 And I will take the remnant of Judah,

that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there,

and they shall all be consumed, *and* fall in **the land of Egypt;** they shall *even* be consumed by the sword *and* by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, *and* an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.

Jer 44:13 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished **Jerusalem**, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

Jer 44:14 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain,

that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they have a desire to return to dwell there:

or none shall return but such as shall escape.

Jer 44:15 Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

Jer 44:16 *As for* the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.

Jer 44:17 But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done.

- we
- and our fathers,
- our kings,
- and our princes,

in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem:

for then had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil.

Jer 44:18 But since we left off

- to burn incense to the queen of heaven,
- and to pour out drink offerings unto her,

we have wanted all things, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine.

(Note: These people lost their ability to reason correctly by reversing the roles of God and demons)

Jer 44:19 And when we (note: the women speaking)

- burned incense to the queen of heaven,
- and poured out drink offerings unto her,

did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our men?

Queen of Heaven was a title given to a number of ancient sky goddesses in the ancient Mediterranean and Near East, in particular Anat, Isis, Innana, Astarte, Hera and possibly Asherah (by the prophet Jeremiah). Elsewhere, Nordic Frigg also bore this title. In Greco-Roman times Hera, and her Roman aspect Juno bore this title. Forms and content of worship varied. The title Queen of Heaven is used by Catholics and Orthodox Christians for Mary. Source: Wikipedia

Jer 44:20 Then **Jeremiah** said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the people which had given him *that* answer, saying,

Jer 44:21 The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of **Jerusalem**, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land, did not the LORD remember them, and came it *not* into his mind?

Jer 44:22 So that the LORD could no longer bear, **because** of the evil of your doings, *and* **because** of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

Jer 44:23 Because ye have burned incense,

and **because** ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD, nor walked in **his law**, nor in **his statutes**, nor in **his testimonies**;

therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.

# Jer 44:24 Moreover **Jeremiah** said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all **Judah** that *are* in the land of Egypt:

Jer 44:25 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying;

Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.

Jer 44:26 Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt;

Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of **Judah** in all the land of Egypt, saying, The LORD GOD liveth.

Jer 44:27 Behold, I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.

Jer 44:28 Yet a small number that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words shall stand, mine, or theirs.

Jer 44:29 And this *shall be* a sign unto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for evil:

Jer 44:30

Thus saith the LORD;

Behold, I will give Pharaohhophra king of Egypt

into the hand of his enemies,

and into the hand of them that seek his life; (Note: Pharaoh's own army and father turned against him after unsuccessful battles with Nebuchadnezzar and the Dorian Greeks)

as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah

into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon,

his enemy, and that sought his life.

# Year 12-Month ?- Day 15 of the exile of Jehoiachin (April 584 BC)

Eze 32:17 It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
Eze 32:18 Son of man.

# wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down,

even her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit.

Eze 32:19 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with the uncircumcised.

Eze 32:20 They shall fall in the midst of *them that are* slain by the sword: she is delivered to the sword: draw her and all her multitudes.

Eze 32:21 The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of **hell** with them that help him:

they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.

Eze 32:22 Asshur [Assyria] is there and all her company: his graves are about him:

all of them slain, fallen by the sword:

Eze 32:23 Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused terror in the land of the living.

Eze 32:24 There *is* **Elam** and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword,

which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused their terror in the land of the living:

yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit.

Eze 32:25 They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude:

her graves are round about him:

all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword:

though their terror was caused in the land of the living,

yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit:

he is put in the midst of them that be slain.

Eze 32:26 There is Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude:

her graves are round about him:

all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword,

though they caused their terror in the land of the living.

Eze 32:27 And they shall not lie with the mighty *that are* fallen of the uncircumcised,

which are gone down to hell with their weapons of war:

and they have laid their swords under their heads,

but their iniquities shall be upon their bones,

though they were the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.

Eze 32:28 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised,

and shalt lie with them that are slain with the sword.

Eze 32:29 There is **Edom**, her kings, and all her princes,

which with their might are laid by *them that were* slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit.

Eze 32:30 There *be* the **princes of the north**, all of them, and all the **Zidonians** [Sidonians], which are gone down with the slain; with their terror they are ashamed of their might; and they lie **uncircumcised** with *them that be* slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to the pit.

Eze 32:31 **Pharaoh** shall see them,

and shall be comforted over all his multitude, even Pharaoh and all his army slain by the sword, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 32:32 For I have caused my terror in the land of the living:

and he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that are* slain with the sword, *even* Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the LORD GOD.

# Ezekiel - The duty of a watchman

Eze 33:1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 33:2 Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them,

When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their watchman:

Eze 33:3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

Eze 33:4 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.

Eze 33:5 He heard the sound of the trumpet,

and took not warning;

his blood shall be upon him [himself].

But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.

Eze 33:6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned;

if the sword come, and take *any* person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

Eze 33:7 So thou, O son of man,

I have set thee a watchman unto **the house of Israel**; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.

Eze 33:8 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked *man*, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Eze 33:9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity;

but thou hast delivered thy soul.

#### Eze 33:10 Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel;

Thus ye speak, saying,

If our transgressions and our sins *be* upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we then live?

#### Eze 33:11 "Say unto them,

#### As I live, saith the LORD GOD,

I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

#### Eze 33:12 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people,

The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his righteousness in the day that he sinneth.

Eze 33:13 When I shall say to the righteous, that he shall surely live; if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it.

#### Eze 33:14 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die;

if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right;

- Eze 33:15 If the wicked restore the pledge,
- give again that he had robbed,
- walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity;

he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 33:16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

Eze 33:17 Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the LORD is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal.

Eze 33:18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall even die thereby.

Eze 33:19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

Eze 33:20 Yet ye say, The way of the LORD is not equal. **O ye house of Israel,** *I will judge you every one after his ways.* 

# New Temple Vision - Introduction

Time Period	Year 25-Month 1-Day 10 of the exile of Jehoiachin (April 571 BC)  Eze 40:1 In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither [there].			
Location	Eze 40:2 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a very high mountain, by which was as the frame of a city on the south.			
The man with the measuring rod	Eze 40:3 And he brought me thither, and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass,  • with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed;  • and he stood in the gate.  Eze 40:4 And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew them unto thee art thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.			

# The Wall around the Temple

Eze 40:5 And behold

a wall on the outside of the house[temple] round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed of six cubits *long* 

• by the cubit and an hand breadth:

so he measured

- the breadth of the building, one reed;
- and the height, one reed.

Note: 1 rod = 6 cubits. The cubit could be either a short cubit (17.5-17.8 inches) or a long cubit (19.8-20.6 inches). Sources vary on the length of the short and long cubits. We can assume here it is the long cubit.

# Outer Court – Lower Pavement

Eze 40:17a Then brought he me into <b>the outward court</b> , and, lo, <i>there were</i> <b>chambers</b> , and a <b>pavement</b> made for the court round about:	
Chambers	40:17b thirty chambers <i>were</i> upon the pavement.
	Eze 40:18 And the pavement
	by the side of the gates
Pavement	over against the length of the gates
	was the lower pavement.

Outer Court - East Gate		
( East, North and South Gates are identical for both Inner and Outer courts		
Exception – outer court has seven steps, inner court has eight steps)		
Eze 40:6a Then came he unto the gate which looketh toward the east,		
Threshold	<ul> <li>Eze 40:6c and measured the threshold of the gate, which was one reed broad;</li> <li>Eze 40:6d and the other threshold of the gate, which was one reed broad.</li> <li>Eze 40:7b and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within was one reed.</li> </ul>	
Guardrooms	Eze 40:7 And every little chamber was one reed long, and one reed broad;  • and between the little chambers were five cubits;  Eze 40:10a And the little chambers of the gate eastward  • were three on this side, and three on that side;  • they three were of one measure:  Eze 40:12 The space also before the little chambers was one cubit on this side, and the space was one cubit on that side:  and the little chambers were six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.	
Gateway and Gate	Eze 40:11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten cubits; and the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.	
Windows	<ul> <li>Eze 40:16a And there were narrow windows</li> <li>to the little chambers,</li> <li>and to their posts within the gate round about,</li> <li>and likewise to the arches:</li> <li>and windows were round about inward:</li> </ul>	
Overall Dimensions of the Gate	Eze 40:13 He measured then the gate from the roof of one little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth was five and twenty cubits, door against door.  Eze 40:14bthe post of the court round about the gate.  Eze 40:15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner gate were fifty cubits.	
Porch	<ul> <li>Eze 40:8 He measured also the porch of the gate</li> <li>within, one reed.</li> <li>Eze 40:9a Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits;</li> <li>Eze 40:9c and the porch of the gate was inward.</li> </ul>	
Side Pillars of the Porch	Eze 40:9b and the posts thereof, two cubits; Eze 40:14a He made also posts of threescore cubits, Eze 40:10b they three were of one measure: (Note: 2 cubits X 2 cubits; verse 9) Eze 40:16b and upon each post were palm trees.	
Stairway	Eze 40:6b went up the stairs thereof, (seven steps, Eze 40:22,26)	

#### Outer Court - North Gate

Eze 40:20 And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

- Eze 40:21a And the little chambers thereof were three on this side and three on that side;
- Eze 40:21b and the **posts** thereof and the **arches** thereof were after the measure of the first gate:.
- Eze 40:22a And their windows, and their arches, and their palm trees, were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east;

Note: "after the measure of" means "the same measurements as"

Windows		
Overall	• Eze 40:21c the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty	
Dimensions	cubits.	
Porches	• Eze 40:22c and the arches thereof <i>were</i> before them.	
Side Pillars	(side pillars/posts had same dimensions)	
Stairway	Eze 40:22b and they went up unto it by seven steps; (eight steps in the inner court)	

# Outer Court – South Gate

Eze 40:24 After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and he measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these{same} measures.

Windows	• Eze 40:25a And there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about,	
	like those {other}windows:	
Overall	• Eze 40:25b the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.	
Dimensions		
Porches	• Eze 40:26b and the <b>arches</b> thereof <i>were</i> before them:	
Side Pillars	• Eze 40:26c and it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon	
	the posts thereof.	
Stairway	• Eze 40:26a And there were seven steps to go up to it,	

#### A hundred cubits from gate to gate

Eze 40:19 Then he measured the **breadth** from the **forefront of the lower gate** unto the **forefront of the inner court without**,

• an hundred cubits eastward and northward.

Distance from an Inner Court Gate to its corresponding Outer Court Gate

Eze 40:23 And the gate of the **inner court** was over against

- the gate toward the **north**,
- and toward the east;

and he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.

# Distance between the South Gates of the Inner and Outer Courts

Eze 40:27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the south:

and he measured from gate to gate toward the south an hundred cubits.

# The Inner Court Gates

(All three inner court gates have the same measurements)

(NASV/KJV equivalents: side pillars / posts, porches/arches, guardrooms/ little chambers)

#### Eze 40:28 And he brought me to

# the inner court by the south gate:

and he measured the south gate according to these {same} measures;

Eze 40:29 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, according to these {same}measures:

Windows	and there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about:	
Overall	• it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.	
Dimensions		
Porches	• Eze 40:30 And the arches round about <i>were</i> five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits broad.	
	• Eze 40:31 And the arches thereof <i>were</i> toward the utter court;	
Side Pillars	• and palm trees were upon the posts thereof:	
Stairway	• and the going up to it had eight steps.	

Eze 40:32 And he brought me into the inner court toward the east:

and he measured the gate according to these {same} measures.

Eze 40:33 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, were according to these {same} measures:

Windows	and there were windows therein and in the arches thereof round about:	
Overall	• it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.	
Dimensions		
Porches	• Eze 40:34 And the arches thereof <i>were</i> toward the outward court	
Side Pillars	• and palm trees were upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side:	
Stairway	• and the going up to it had eight steps.	

Eze 40:35 And he brought me to		
the north gate,		
and measured <i>it</i> according to these {same} measures;		
Eze 40:36 <b>The little chambers</b> thereof, the posts thereof,		
Windows	and the windows to it round about:	
Overall	• the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.	
Dimensions		
Porches	Eze 40:36 and the arches thereof, (toward the outer court like the others)	
Side Pillars	• Eze 40:37 And the posts thereof were toward the utter court;	
	• and palm trees were upon the <b>posts</b> thereof, on this side, and on that side:	
Stairway	• and the going up to it had eight steps.	

Inner Court Gates – for Sacrifices and Offerings			
Chambers to rinse the burnt offerings	Eze 40:38 And the <b>chambers</b> and the entries thereof <i>were</i> by the posts of the gates,  • where they washed the burnt offering.		
Porch: Tables used for Offerings	Eze 40:39 And in the porch of the gate were two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereon  • the burnt offering  • and the sin offering  • and the trespass offering.		
Tables on each side of the Porch	<ul> <li>Eze 40:40 And at the side without, as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, were two tables;</li> <li>and on the other side, which was at the porch of the gate, were two tables.</li> <li>Eze 40:41 Four tables were on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate;</li> <li>eight tables, whereupon they slew their sacrifices.</li> </ul>		
Eze 40:42 And the four tables were of hewn stone for the burnt offering, of  a cubit and an half long,  and a cubit and an half broad,  and one cubit high:  whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew  the burnt offering  and the sacrifice.  Eze 40:43 And within were hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables was the flesh of the offering.			

The Chambers		
Chambers for the Singers	<ul> <li>Eze 40:44 And without the inner gate were the chambers of the singers in the inner court,</li> <li>which was at the side of the north gate; and their prospect [front] was toward the south:</li> <li>one at the side of the east gate having the prospect [front] toward the north.</li> </ul>	
Chambers for the Priests	<ul> <li>Eze 40:45 And he said unto me,</li> <li>This chamber, whose prospect [front] is toward the south, is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the house.</li> <li>Eze 40:46 And the chamber whose prospect [front] is toward the north is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar:</li> <li>these are the sons of Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come near to the LORD to minister unto him.</li> </ul>	

Overall dimensions of the Inner Court

Eze 40:47a So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred cubits broad, foursquare;

# Eze 40:47b and the altar *that was* before the house.

Eze 40:48 And he brought me to				
the porch of the house,				
Pillar	and measured each post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side:			
Gate	and the breadth of the gate was three cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side.			
Dimensions of	Eze 40:49 The length of the porch was twenty cubits,			
the Porch	and the breadth eleven cubits;			
Stairway	and he brought me by the steps whereby they went up to it: and there were pillars by the			
	<b>posts</b> , one on this side, and another on that side.			

Eze 41:1 Afterward he brought me to			
the temple, (note: nave: outer sanctuary)			
Side Pillars	and measured the side pillars; six cubits wide on each side was the width of the side pillar. (NASV) six cubits wide on each side was the width of the side pillar. (Amplified Bible)	and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, which was the breadth of the tabernacle. (KJV)	
Entrance	Eze 41:2 And the breadth of <b>the door</b> <i>was</i> ten cubits; and the sides of the door <i>were</i> five cubits on the one [each] side		
Overall	and he measured the length thereof, forty cubits:		
Dimensions	and the breadth, twenty cubits.		
	Inside the Nave		
	Eze 41:3 Then he went <b>inward</b> [the	e inner sanctuary]	
Side Pillars	and measured the post of the door, two cubits;		
Doorway	and the door, six cubits;		
	and the <b>breadth</b> of the door, seven cubits.		
Overall	Eze 41:4a So he measured the <b>length</b> thereof, twenty cubits;		
Dimensions	and the <b>breadth</b> , twenty cubits, {before the nave}		

# Eze 41:4b and he said unto me, This is the most holy place.

# Eze 41:5 After he measured the wall of the house, six cubits;

	Side Chambers
Dimensions	Eze 41:5b and the <b>breadth</b> of <i>every</i> side chamber, four cubits, round about the house on
Difficitorio	every side.
	Eze 41:6 And the side chambers were three, [in three stories]
	• one over another,
	and thirty in order; [thirty in each story]
Three Stories	• and they entered [extended] into the wall which was of the house for the side
of Chambers	<u>chambers round about</u> , [which <i>stood</i> on their inward side all around, ]
	that they might have hold, [that they might be fastened,]
	but they had not hold [be fastened] in the wall of the house.
	Eze 41:7 And <i>there was</i> an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the side chambers:
Structure	for the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house:
surrounding	• therefore the breadth of the house was still upward,
the Temple	• and so increased <i>from</i> the lowest <i>chamber</i> to the highest by the midst.
	Eze 41:8 I saw also
Foundation	the height [raised platform] of the house round about:
Foundation	• the foundations of the side chambers were a full reed [rod] of six great cubits. [ six
	long cubits in height. ]
Outer Wall	Eze 41:9 The thickness of the wall, which was for the side chamber without, was five
	cubits:
Free Space 1	and that which was left was the place of the side chambers that were within. Eze 41:10
	And between the chambers was the wideness of twenty cubits round about the house on
	every side.
Doorways	Eze 41:11a And the doors of the side chambers were toward the place that was left,
	one door toward the north, and another door toward the south:
Free Space 2	Eze 41:11b and the breadth of <b>the place that was left</b> was <b>five cubits round</b> about.

The Building	
Eze 41:12 Now the building	
that was before the separate place	
at the end toward the west	
Overall	Eze 41:12b was seventy cubits broad;
Dimensions	Eze 41:12d and the length thereof ninety cubits.
Wall	Eze 41:12c and the wall of the building was five cubits thick round about
Thickness	

Eze 41:13	
So he measured the house,	
Dimensions	<ul> <li>an hundred cubits long;</li> <li>and the separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred cubits long;</li> <li>Eze 41:14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits.</li> <li>Eze 41:15 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which was behind it, and the galleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits,</li> </ul>
	• with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;

#### Eze 41:16

#### The door posts [thresholds], and the narrow [latticed] windows,

and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the door,

cieled [paneled] with wood

# Wood **Paneling**

- round about,
- and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows were covered;
- Eze 41:17 To that above the door.
- even unto the inner house.
- and without,
- and by all the wall round about within and without,

# Carvings of Cherubim and Palm Trees

Eze 41:18 And it was made with cherubims and palm trees,

so that a palm tree was between a cherub and a cherub;

and every cherub had two faces;

- Eze 41:19 So that the face of a man was toward the palm tree on the one side,
- and the face of a young lion toward the palm tree on the other side:

it was made through all the house round about.

#### Eze 41:20 From the ground unto above the door were

cherubims and palm trees made,

and on the wall of the temple.

Eze 41:21 The **posts** of the temple were squared,

and the face of the sanctuary; the appearance of the one as the appearance of the other.

#### The Altar

Eze 41:22 The altar of wood was

- three cubits high,
- and the length thereof two cubits;

and the corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, were of wood:

and he said unto me, This is the table that is before the LORD.

# The Doors of the Nave and Sanctuary

Eze 41:23 And the temple [nave] and the sanctuary had two doors [a double door].

Eze 41:24 And the doors had two leaves apiece,

- two turning leaves;
- two *leaves* for the one door, and two leaves for the other *door*.

Eze 41:25a And there were made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubims and palm trees, like as were made upon the walls;

# The Porch of the Temple

and there were thick planks upon the face of the **porch** without.

Eze 41:26a And there were narrow [latticed] windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side, on the sides of the porch,

# Eze 42:1a

Then he brought me forth into

the utter [outer] court, the way toward the north:

	The Outer Court Chambers	
Eze 42:1b and he brought me to the <b>chamber</b> which was opposite the separate area and opposite the building toward the north.		
Chamber length and North Door	Eze 42:2 Before the <b>length</b> of an hundred cubits was the <b>north door</b> , and the breadth was fifty cubits	
Inner Walk, Way, Openings	a walk of ten cubits breadth inward,     a way of one hundred cubits; (NASV)     and their doors toward the north.      a way of one cubit; (KJV, Youngs Literal Translation)	
Gallery	Eze 42:3 Over against the twenty cubits which were for the inner court, and over against the pavement which was for the utter court, was gallery against gallery in three stories.	
Upper Chambers	Eze 42:5 Now the <b>upper chambers</b> <i>were</i> shorter: for the galleries were higher than these, than the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.  Eze 42:6 For they <i>were</i> in <b>three</b> <i>stories</i> , but had <b>not pillars as the pillars of the courts</b> : therefore <i>the building</i> was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.	
Chamber Dimensions	Eze 42:7 And the wall that was without over against the chambers, toward the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof was fifty cubits.  Eze 42:8 For the length of the chambers that were in the utter court was fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple were an hundred cubits.	
Entrances	Eze 42:9 And from under these chambers was the entry on the east side, as one goeth into them from the utter court.  Eze 42:10 The chambers were in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building.  Eze 42:11 And the way before them was like the appearance of the chambers which were toward the north, as long as they, and as broad as they: and all their goings out were both according to their fashions, and according to their doors.  Eze 42:12 And according to the doors of the chambers that were toward the south was a door in the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them.	

Eze 42:13 Then said he unto me,

# The north chambers and the south chambers, which are before the separate place, they be holy chambers,

- where the priests that approach unto the LORD shall eat the most holy things:
- there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat [grain] offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place is holy.

#### Eze 42:14 When the priests enter therein,

- 1. then shall they not go out of the holy *place* into the utter court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they *are* holy;
  - and shall put on other garments,
- 2. and shall approach to those things which are for the people.

#### Eze 42:15a

Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward

# the gate whose prospect [front/face] is toward the east,

Eze 42:15b with the measuring reed round about.

- Eze 42:16 He measured the east side with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.
- Eze 42:17 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.
- Eze 42:18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.
- Eze 42:19 He turned about to the west side, *and* measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

Eze 42:20 He measured it by the four sides: it had a wall round about, five hundred reeds long, and five hundred broad, to make a separation between the sanctuary and the profane place.

Note: 1 reed = 1 rod = 6 cubits length

the east.

# The Glory of the LORD coming by way of the East Gate

Eze 43:1 Alterward ne brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east:	
Eze 43:2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east:	
ĺ	, , ,
His Voice	and his voice was like a noise of many waters:
The earth	and the earth shined with His glory.
	Eze 43:3 And it was according to the appearance of the vision which I saw,
Vision	• even according to the vision that I saw when I [He-NASV, I-KJV] came to destroy
Comparisons	the city:
	<ul> <li>and the visions were like the vision that I saw by the river Chebar;</li> </ul>
Fear of the	and I fell on my face.
LORD	
Eze 43:4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward	

# Eze 43:5a

So the spirit took me up, and brought me into

# the inner court;

#### The house of the LORD

Eze 43:5b and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.

Eze 43:6 And I heard *him* speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me.

Eze 43:7 And he said unto me, Son of man,

the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet,

where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever,

Eze 43:7b

and my holy name, shall the house of Israel no more defile, *neither* they, nor their kings,

- by their whoredom,
- nor by the carcases of their kings in their high places.
- Eze 43:8 In their setting of their threshold by my thresholds,
- and their post by my posts,
- and the wall between me and them.

they have even **defiled** my holy name by their abominations that they have committed: **wherefore** I have consumed them in mine anger.

Eze 43:9 Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcases of their kings, far from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.

Eze 43:10 Thou son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern.

Eze 43:11

And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the form [design] of the house,

- and the fashion [structure, measurements] thereof,
- and the goings out [exits] thereof, and the comings in [entrances] thereof, and all the forms [designs]thereof,
- and all the ordinances [statutes] thereof, and all the forms thereof,
- and all the laws thereof:

# and write it in their sight,

that they may keep

- the whole form [design] thereof,
- and all the ordinances [statutes] thereof,

and do them.

#### Eze 43:12

#### This is a law of the house:

on the top of the mountain, all its border all round about is most holy; lo, this is a law of the house.

# Nations who came against **Jerusalem**

Zec 14:16 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the {heathen} nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

- Zec 14:17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come up of *all* the families of the earth unto **Jerusalem** to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain
- Zec 14:18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Zec 14:19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

#### **Cooking Pots**

Zec 14:20 In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in **the LORD'S house** shall be like the bowls before the altar. Zec 14:21 Yea, every pot in **Jerusalem** and in **Judah** shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein:

#### Canaanites

and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

#### Note:

1Co 6:19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

1Co 6:20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

#### Note:

1Pe 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

1Pe 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation [behavior];

1Pe 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

	The Altar	
Eze 43:13 And these <i>are</i> the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit <i>is</i> a cubit and an hand breadth;		
Base	even the <b>bottom</b> shall be a cubit, and the <b>breadth</b> a cubit, and the <b>border</b> thereof by the edge thereof round about shall be a span: and this shall be the higher place of the altar.	
Distances between Ledges	Eze 43:14 And from the bottom upon the ground even to the lower settle shall be two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser settle even to the greater settle shall be four cubits, and the breadth one cubit.	
Hearth	Eze 43:15 So the altar shall be four cubits; and from the altar and upward shall be four horns.  Eze 43:16 And the altar shall be twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.	
Ledge Dimensions	Eze 43:17 And the settle shall be fourteen cubits long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it shall be half a cubit; and the bottom thereof shall be a cubit about;	
Steps	and his stairs shall look toward the east.	

Eze 43:18 And he said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the LORD GOD;

# These are the ordinances of the altar

# in the day when they shall make it,

to offer burnt offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon.

# Eze 43:19 And thou shalt give to the priests

the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto me, to minister unto me, saith the LORD GOD,

# a young bullock for a sin offering.

Eze 43:20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put *it* on the four horns of it, nd on the four corners of the settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

Eze 43:21 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the sin offering,

• and he shall burn it in the appointed place of the house, without [outside] the sanctuary.

#### **Days 2-8**

Eze 43:22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse *it* with the bullock.

#### Eze 43:23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing it, thou shalt offer

- a young bullock without blemish,
- and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

Eze 43:24 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up *for* a **burnt offering** unto the LORD.

#### Eze 43:25 Seven days shalt thou prepare every day

- a goat for a sin offering:
- they shall also prepare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.

Eze 43:26 Seven days

shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall consecrate themselves [it - according to most other translations as the Hebrew word here can have many possible translations].

# Days 8 and onward

Eze 43:27 And when these days are expired, it shall be, *that* upon the eighth day, and *so* forward, the priests shall make

- your **burnt offerings** upon the altar,
- and your peace offerings;

and I will accept you, saith the LORD GOD.

# Only the LORD God enters the East Gate

#### Eze 44:1

Then he brought me back the way of

the gate of the outward sanctuary which looketh toward the east;

and it was shut.

Eze 44:2 Then said the LORD unto me;

This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut.

#### The Prince

Eze 44:3 *It is* for the prince; the prince, he shall sit in it to eat bread before the LORD; he shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.

#### Then brought he me the way of

## the north gate before the house:

and I looked, and, behold,

the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD: and I fell upon my face.

## Mark Well My Words

Eze 44:5 And the LORD said unto me, Son of man,

- mark well,
- and behold with thine eyes,
- and hear with thine ears

all that I say unto thee

- concerning all the ordinances of the house of the LORD,
- and all the laws thereof;

and mark well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary.

# Rebellious Priests (including some of the sons of Eli) to be punished Shall not be allowed in the Sanctuary

(see: 1 Samuel 2:11-17, 27-36)

Eze 44:6 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, *even* to **the house of Israel,** Thus saith the LORD GOD;

O ye house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations,

Eze 44:7 In that ye have brought *into my sanctuary* strangers,

uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh,

to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it,

even my house, when ye offer my bread, the fat and the blood,

and they have broken my covenant because of all your abominations.

Eze 44:8 And ye have not kept the charge of mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.

#### Eze 44:9 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary,

of any stranger that is among the children of Israel.

#### the Levites

that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols;

#### they shall even bear their iniquity.

Eze 44:11 Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary,

- having charge at the gates of the house,
- and ministering to the house:
- they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people,
- and they shall stand before them to minister unto them.

#### Eze 44:12

#### Because

- they ministered unto them before their idols,
- and caused **the house of Israel** to fall into iniquity;

#### therefore

have I lifted up mine hand against them, saith the LORD GOD, and they shall bear their iniquity.

- Eze 44:13 And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me,
- nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy *place*:
- but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed.

Eze 44:14 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.

## Eze 44:15

But

# the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok,

(see:Ezek 40:45-46, 43:19 and 1 Chron 6:3-8)

that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me,

- they shall come near to me to minister unto me,
- and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood,

#### saith the LORD GOD:

- Eze 44:16 They shall enter into my sanctuary,
- and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

#### Eze 44:17

And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court,

- they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.
- Eze 44:18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads,
- and shall have linen breeches [undergarments] upon their loins; they shall not gird *themselves* with any thing that causeth sweat.

# The Priest's Clothing

Eze 44:19 And when they go forth into the utter court, *even* into the utter [outer] court to the people,

- 1. they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered.
- 2. and lay them in the holy chambers.
- 3. and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people with their garments.

	Eze 44:20 Neither shall they shave their heads,
TT-1-	nor suffer their locks to grow long;
Hair	they shall only poll their heads.
Wine	Eze 44:21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.
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	Eze 44:22 Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away:
Marriage	but they shall take maidens of the seed of <b>the house of Israel</b> , or a widow that had a priest before.
	of a widow that had a priest before.
	Eze 44:23 And they shall teach my people
Teaching	• the difference between the holy and profane,
Discernment	and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.
Handling	Eze 44:24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment;
Disputes	and they shall judge it according to my judgments:
Disputes	
	and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall
Obedience	hallow my sabbaths.
	Eze 44:25 And they shall come at no dead person to defile themselves: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that hath
Handling the	had no husband, they may defile themselves.
Deceased	Eze 44:26 And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.
	220 Tilla area no is creatised, they shall reckon alice initi seven days.
	Eze 44:27 And in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary,
Sin Offering	unto <b>the inner court</b> , to minister in the sanctuary,
Sin Offering	he shall offer his sin offering, saith the LORD GOD.
T. 1	Eze 44:28 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I am their inheritance:
Inheritance	and ye shall give them no possession in Israel: I am their possession.
	Eze 44:29 They shall eat the meat [grain] offering, and the sin offering, and the
	trespass [guilt] offering; and every dedicated thing in Israel shall be theirs.
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The Priest's	Eze 44:30 And the first of all the firstfruits of all things, and every oblation of all, of
Diet and	every <i>sort</i> of your oblations, shall be the priest's:
What	<u>ye</u> shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to
Belongs to	rest in thine house.
the Priests	
	Eze 44:31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.
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# Dividing the Land for Inheritance - Preview

Eze 45:1 Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation [allotment] unto the LORD, an holy portion of the land: the length shall be the length of five and twenty thousand reeds [cubits from the following context], and the breadth shall be ten thousand. This shall be holy in all the borders thereof round about. Note: the exact unit of measure is not specified in the original Hebrew text in this verse. Eze 45:2 Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred in length, with five hundred in breadth, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the suburbs thereof. Eze 45:4 The holy *portion* of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, The Square and an holy place for the sanctuary. Eze 45:5 And the • five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall be for the Levites, the ministers of the shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, and for their possession cities to house, have for themselves, for a possession dwell in. (NASV) for twenty chambers. (KJV) Eze 45:3 And of this measure shalt thou measure The area for the length of five and twenty thousand, the Sanctuary and the breadth of ten thousand: within The and in it shall be the sanctuary and the most holy place. Square Eze 45:6 And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, An area for and five and twenty thousand long, the city over against the oblation of the holy *portion*: it shall be for the whole house of Israel. Eze 45:7 And a portion shall be for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the oblation of the holy *portion*, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy *portion*, and before the possession of the city, Area reserved from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: for The Prince and the length shall be over against one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border.

Eze 45:8b

Eze 45:8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel:

# my princes shall no more oppress my people;

and the rest of the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.

Eze 45:9

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel:

remove violence and spoil, and execute judgment and justice, take away your exactions from my people,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 45:10 Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.

Eze 45:11 The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer.

Eze 45:12 And the shekel *shall be* twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.

#### Eze 45:13

# This is the oblation that ye shall offer;

Grain	the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley:
Oil	Eze 45:14 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, ye shall offer the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, which is an homer of ten baths; for ten baths are an homer:
Sheep	Eze 45:15a And one lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel;
Eze 45:15b for a meat [grain] offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the LORD GOD.  Eze 45:16 All the people of the land shall give this oblation for the prince in Israel.	

# Responsibilities at the feasts

Eze 45:17 And it shall be the prince's part to give burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.

#### Eze 45:18 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

In the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month,

<u>thou</u> shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary:

Eze 45:19 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering,

- and put it upon the posts of the house,
- and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar,
- and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.

Eze 45:20 And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the month for every one that erreth, and for him that is simple: so shall <u>ye</u> reconcile the house.

#### Eze 45:21

## In the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month,

ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.

Eze 45:22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock *for* a sin offering.

Eze 45:23 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily *for* a sin offering.

Eze 45:24 And he shall prepare a meat [grain] offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.

#### Eze 45:25

In the <u>seventh</u> month, in the <u>fifteenth</u> day of the month,

shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days,

- according to the sin offering,
- according to the burnt offering,
- and according to the meat [grain] offering,
- and according to the oil.

# Sabbath Days and New Moons

#### Eze 46:1 'Thus saith the LORD GOD,

The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east

shall be shut the six working days;

but on the sabbath it shall be opened,

and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

Eze 46:2 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate,

and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings.

and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth [out];

but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.

Eze 46:3 Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD

- in the sabbaths
- and in the new moons.

Eze 46:4 And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day shall be

- six lambs without blemish,
- and a ram without blemish.

Eze 46:5 And the meat offering *shall be* an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

## Eze 46:6 And in the day of **the new moon**

it shall be

- a young bullock without blemish,
- and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

Eze 46:7 And he shall prepare a meat offering,

- an ephah for a bullock,
- and an ephah for a ram,
- and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto,
- and an hin of oil to an ephah.

Eze 46:8 And when **the prince** shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.

Eze 46:9 But when the people of the land shall come before the LORD in the solemn feasts,

- he that entereth in by the way of the **north gate** to worship shall go out by the way of the **south gate**;
- and he that entereth by the way of the **south gate** shall go forth by the way of the **north gate**:

he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it [he shall go straight out].

Eze 46:10 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, {he} shall go in; and when they go forth [out], {he} shall go forth [out].

Note: The prince goes in/out the east gate, the people go in/out by the north and south gates

#### Eze 46:11 And in the feasts and in the solemnities

the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

Eze 46:12 Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings voluntarily unto the LORD,

one shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east,

and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath day then he shall go forth [out]; and after his going forth *one* shall shut the gate

#### Eze 46:13 Thou shalt daily prepare

• a burnt offering unto the LORD of a lamb of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning.

Eze 46:14 And thou shalt prepare a **meat [grain] offering** for it every morning,

- the sixth part of an ephah,
- and the third part of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour;

a meat [grain] offering continually by a perpetual ordinance unto the LORD.

Eze 46:15 Thus shall they prepare

- the lamb,
- and the meat [grain] offering,
- and the oil,

every morning

for a continual burnt offering.

# Regarding an Inheritance given by The Prince

#### Eze 46:16 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

If **the prince** give a gift unto any of **his sons**, the inheritance thereof shall be his sons'; it *shall be* their possession by inheritance.

Eze 46:17 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his to the year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince:

but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them.

Eze 46:18 Moreover the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession;

but he shall give his sons inheritance out of **his own possession**: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession.

# The holy chambers for the priests

Eze 46:19 After he brought me through the entry, which was at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north:

and, behold, there was a place on the two sides westward.

Eze 46:20

Then said he unto me,

This is the place

- where the priests shall boil the trespass [guilt] offering and the sin offering,
- where they shall bake the **meat [grain] offering**;

that they bear *them* not out into the utter court, to sanctify the people.

#### **Outer Court Corners**

Eze 46:21 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, in every corner of the court there was a {small} court. Eze 46:22 In the four corners of the court there were courts joined of

- forty *cubits* long and thirty broad:
- these four corners were of one measure.

Eze 46:23 And there was a row of building round about in them, round about them four,

and it was made with boiling places under the rows round about.

Eze 46:24

Then said he unto me,

These *are* the places of them that boil, where the ministers of the house shall boil the **sacrifice** of the people.

#### A River that cannot be crossed

#### Eze 47:1

# Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold,

waters issued out **from under the threshold** of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood toward* the east,

and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.

#### Eze 47:2

# Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward,

and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right[south] side.

Eze 47:3 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward,

he measured a thousand cubits,

and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles.

Eze 47:4 Again he measured a thousand,

and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees.

Again he measured a thousand,

and brought me through; the waters were to the loins.

#### Eze 47:5 Afterward he measured a thousand;

and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

Eze 47:6 And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.

Eze 47:7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.

Eze 47:8

Then said he unto me,

#### These waters

issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed [fresh].

Eze 47:9 And it shall come to pass, *that* every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

Eze 47:10 And it shall come to pass, *that* the fishers shall stand upon it (Note: at the banks of the Dead Sea)

from **Engedi even unto Eneglaim**; they shall be a *place* to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of **the great [Mediterranean] sea**, exceeding many.

Eze 47:11 But the miry places [swamps] thereof and the marishes [marshes] thereof shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.

Eze 47:12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all

# trees for meat [food],

whose leaf shall not fade,

neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed:

it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary:

and the fruit thereof shall be for meat [food],

and the leaf thereof for medicine.

Note: See Psalm 1

# Dividing the land for the Twelve Tribes of Israel - Preview

#### Eze 47:13

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

This *shall be* the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel:

**Joseph** *shall have two* **portions**.

Eze 47:14 And ye shall inherit it,

one as well as another:

concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers:

and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.

Eze 47:15 And this shall be the border of the land

#### toward the north side,

- from the great sea, the way of Hethlon,
- as men go to Zedad;
- Eze 47:16 Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which *is* between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath;
- Hazarhatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran.
- Eze 47:17 And the border from the sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of Damascus,
- and the north northward, and the border of Hamath.

And this is the north side.

#### Eze 47:18 And the east side ye shall measure

- from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel by Jordan,
- from the border unto the east sea.

And this is the east side.

#### Eze 47:19 And the south side

- southward, from Tamar even to the waters of strife in Kadesh [Meribath-kadesh],
- the river
- to the great sea.

And this is the south side southward.

#### Eze 47:20 The west side also

- *shall be* the great sea
- from the border, till a man come over against Hamath [Lebo-hamath].

This is the west side.

Eze 47:21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.

Eze 47:22 And it shall come to pass, *that* ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you,

and to the strangers

- that sojourn among you,
- which shall beget children among you:
- and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel;
- they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.
- Eze 47:23 And it shall come to pass, *that* in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give *him* his inheritance,

#### saith the LORD GOD.

**Note**: The same standard applied to both native and alien and the alien was required to accept the standard applied to the native/citizen. The alien was not allowed to colonize his ungodly beliefs into the community of Israel but had to accept God's laws. Israel was required to treat the alien as one of their own and with love and charity as needed.

#### The Northern Divisions for 6 of the 12 tribes of Israel

Note: Joseph's sons include Ephraim and Manasseh

Eze 48:1 Now these *are* the names of the tribes.

From the north end to the coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazarenan, the border of Damascus northward, to the coast of Hamath;

for these are his sides east and west; a portion for Dan.

- Eze 48:2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a portion for Asher.
- Eze 48:3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, a portion for Naphtali.
- Eze 48:4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, a portion for Manasseh.
- Eze 48:5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, a portion for Ephraim.
- Eze 48:6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, a portion for Reuben.
- Eze 48:7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, a portion for Judah.

#### Note: The mothers of Jacob's sons are:

- Leah: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun
- Rachel: Joseph, Benjamin
- Bilhah (Rachel's maid): Dan, Naphtali
- Zilpah (Leah's maid): Gad, Asher (Gen 35:22-26)

The Borders of Judah and Benjamin	Eze 48:8 And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the offering which ye shall offer  of five and twenty thousand reeds in breadth, and in length as one of the other parts, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it.  Note: The translators cannot determine the unit of measurement here.			
Within the borders of <b>Judah</b> and Benjamin				
THE HOLY ALLOTMENT for				
• the LORD, the temple, and the sons of Zadok				
• the priests				
• the city and agriculture Length (east/west) 25,000 x Width (north/south) 25,000				
Length (east/west)	25,000 X Width (north/south) 25,000			
Allotment for The LORD The Temple Sons of Zadok	The oblation [allotment] that ye shall offer [set apart] unto the LORD shall be of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.  Eze 48:10 And for them, even for the priests, shall be this holy oblation;  • toward the north five and twenty thousand in length,  • and toward the west ten thousand in breadth,  • and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.  Eze 48:11 It shall be for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok;  • which have kept my charge,  • which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray.  Eze 48:12 And this oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the border of the Levites.			
Allotment for The Levites	Eze 48:13 And over against the border of the priests the Levites shall have five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the [the whole]  • length shall be five and twenty thousand, • and the breadth ten thousand.  Eze 48:14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for it is holy unto the LORD.			

Eze 48:15 And the five thousand, that are left in the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand, shall be a profane *place* for [for common use for] the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs: and the city shall be in the midst thereof. Eze 48:16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the north side four thousand and five hundred. and the south side four thousand and five hundred. and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred. Allotments for Eze 48:17 The City And the suburbs of the city shall be and

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- toward the north two hundred and fifty,
- and toward the south two hundred and fifty,
- and toward the east two hundred and fifty,
- and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

Eze 48:18 And the residue in length over against the oblation [allotment] of the holy **portion** shall be

- ten thousand eastward.
- and ten thousand westward:
- and it shall be over against the oblation of the holy portion;
- and the increase [produce] thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the
- Eze 48:19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.

#### Eze 48:20

All the oblation *shall be* five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.

Everything inside the borders of Judah and Benjamin outside the Square is set aside for the Prince Eze 48:21 And the residue shall be for the prince,

- on the one side and on the other
  - of the holy oblation [allotment],
  - and of the possession [property] of the city,
- over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border,
- and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border,
- over against the portions

for the prince:

and it shall be the holy oblation; and the sanctuary of the house shall be in the midst thereof.

Eze 48:22 Moreover from

- the possession of the Levites,
- and from the possession of the city,

being in the midst of that which is the prince's,

between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be for the prince.

## Note: Summary of the Dimensions of the Square

The area between the borders of **Judah** and Benjamin is for a square section 25,000 X 25,000 (units of measure not specified in the Hebrew- translators are guessing) (Eze 48:20)

- Length is east/west (Eze 48:8)
- Width is north/south

#### Inside the square section are the areas

- for the sanctuary and sons of Zadok: 25,000 X 10,000
- for the Levites:25,000 X 10,000
- for the area surrounding the city and agriculture: 25,000 X 5000

Note: 10000 + 10000 + 5000 =width of 25000

#### Inside the areas designated for the city and agriculture (25000 X 5000)

- O A square area (5000 x 5000) for the city 4500 X 4500) inside it Note: The open spaces: 250 on each side of the city make an area for the city inside 5000 X 5000
- o For agriculture: 10000 X 5000 on each side of the city

Note: 10000 + 5000 + 10000 = length of 25000

The area Outside the middle square section is reserved for the prince.

## The Southern Divisions for 5 of the 12 Tribes of Israel

Eze 48:23 As for the rest of the tribes,

from the east side unto the west side, **Benjamin** shall have a portion.

Eze 48:24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon shall have a portion.

Eze 48:25 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side, Issachar a portion.

Eze 48:26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, **Zebulun** a portion.

Eze 48:27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad a portion.

Eze 48:28 And by the border of Gad,

at the south side southward,

the border shall be even from Tamar

unto the waters of strife in Kadesh [Meribath-kadesh],

and to the river [brook of Egypt] toward the great [Mediterranean] sea.

Eze 48:29 This is the land which you shall divide by lot among the tribes of Israel as their inheritance, and these are their *several* portions,"

says the LORD GOD.

## Eze 48:30 And these are the goings out of the city

on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

Eze 48:31 And the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward;

- one gate of Reuben,
- one gate of Judah,
- one gate of Levi.

Eze 48:32 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates;

- and one gate of Joseph,
- one gate of Benjamin,
- one gate of Dan.

Eze 48:33 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates;

- one gate of Simeon,
- one gate of Issachar,
- one gate of Zebulun.

Eze 48:34 At the west side four thousand and five hundred, with their three gates;

- one gate of Gad,
- one gate of Asher,
- one gate of Naphtali.

Note: The unit of measurement is not specified in the Hebrew text here.

Eze 48:35 *It was* round about eighteen thousand *measures*: and the name of the city from *that* day *shall be*, The LORD *is* there.

Note: 4500 X 4 sides = 18000

## Year 27- Month 1- Day 1 of the exile of Jehoiachin

## Judgment on northern Africa and Arab nations

Eze 29:17 And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Eze 29:18 Son of man,

**Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon** caused his army to serve a great service against **Tyrus** [**Tyre**]: every head *was* made bald,

and every shoulder was peeled:

yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus [Tyre], for the service that he had served against it:

#### Eze 29:19 Therefore thus saith the LORD GOD;

Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;

- and he shall take her multitude,
- and take her spoil, and take her prey;
- and it shall be the wages for his army.

Eze 29:20 I have given him the land of Egypt for his labour wherewith he served against it, because they wrought [acted] for me, saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 29:21 In that day will I cause **the horn** of **the house of Israel** to bud forth, and I will give thee the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Eze 30:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, Eze 30:2 Son of man, prophesy and say, thus saith the LORD GOD;

Howl ye, Woe worth the day!

Eze 30:3 For the day *is* near, even **the day of** the LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of {doom for} the heathen.

Eze 30:4 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia,

when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down

	Eze 30:5 Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and
Arabia, Libya,	all the mingled people [Arabia], and Chub,
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and the men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.

#### Eze 30:6 Thus saith the LORD;

They also that uphold [support] **Egypt** shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down:

from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword,

saith the LORD GOD.

Eze 30:7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* **desolate**, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities *that are* **wasted**.

Eze 30:8 And they shall know that I am the LORD,

when I have set a fire in **Egypt**, and *when* all her helpers shall be destroyed.

#### Eze 30:9 In that day

shall messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, as in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh.

#### Eze 30:10 Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

Eze 30:11 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations,

shall be brought to destroy the land:

and they shall draw their swords against Egypt,

and fill the land with the slain.

Eze 30:12 And I will make the rivers [the Nile canals] dry,

and sell the land into the hand of the wicked:

and I will make **the land** waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers:

I the LORD have spoken it.

#### Eze 30:13

Thus saith the LORD GOD;

I will also destroy the idols,

and I will cause *their* images to cease out of **Noph [Memphis]**:

and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt:

and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt.

Eze 30:14 And I will make Pathros desolate,

and will set fire in **Zoan**,

and will execute judgments in No [Thebes].

Eze 30:15 And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt;

and I will cut off the multitude of **No [Thebes]**.

Eze 30:16 And I will set fire in Egypt:

Sin shall have great pain,

and No [Thebes] shall be rent asunder,

and Noph [Memphis] shall have distresses daily.

Eze 30:17 The young men of Aven and of Pibeseth shall fall by the sword:

And the women will go into captivity.	and these cities shall go into captivity.
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Eze 30:18 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be darkened,

when I shall break there the yokes of **Egypt**:

and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her:

as for her, a cloud shall cover her,

and her daughters shall go into captivity.

Eze 30:19 Thus will I execute judgments in **Egypt**:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

## Year 30-Month 4-Day 5 of King Jehoiachin's exile (June 583 BC)

Eze 1:1 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.

## Evil-merodach releases Jehoiachin from prison

2Ki 25:27 And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, (Note: day discrepancy) that Evilmerodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign

did lift up the head of [released] Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison;

- 2Ki 25:28 And he spake kindly to him,
- and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in **Babylon**;
- 2Ki 25:29 And changed his prison garments:
- and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life.
- 2Ki 25:30 And his allowance *was* a continual allowance given him of **the king**, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

Jer 52:31 And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth day of the month,

that Evilmerodach king of Babylon in the first year of his reign

lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison,

- Jer 52:32 And spake kindly unto him,
- and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in **Babylon**,
- Jer 52:33 And changed his prison garments:
- and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.
- Jer 52:34 And for his diet, there was a continual diet given him of the king of Babylon, every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

# Lamentations Judgment against Judah, Jerusalem, Mount Zion

#### Lam 1:1 How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people!

how is she become as a widow! she that was great among the nations, and princess among the provinces, how is she become tributary!

Lam 1:2 She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks: among all her lovers she hath none to comfort her:
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.

## Lam 1:3 Judah is gone into captivity because of [under] affliction, and because of [under] great servitude: she dwelleth among the heathen, she findeth no rest:

all her persecutors overtook her between the straits [in the midst of distress].

#### Lam 1:4 The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts:

all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she *is* in bitterness.

#### Lam 1:5 Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper;

for the LORD hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

#### Lam 1:6 And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed:

her princes are become like harts *that* find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

#### Lam 1:7 Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction

and of her miseries all her pleasant things that she had in the days of old, when her people fell into the hand of the enemy.

and none did help her:

the adversaries saw her, and did mock at her sabbaths [cessation, destruction].

#### Lam 1:8 Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she is removed [unclean]:

all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness:

yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.

Lam 1:9 Her filthiness is in her skirts;

she remembereth not her last end [promised future];

therefore she came down wonderfully [astonishingly]:

she had no comforter.

O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified himself.

#### Lam 1:10 The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her pleasant [precious, valuable] things:

for she hath seen *that* the heathen entered into her sanctuary,

whom thou didst command that they should not enter into thy congregation.

#### Lam 1:11 All her people sigh, they seek bread;

they have given their pleasant [precious, valuable] things for meat [food] to relieve the soul: see, O LORD, and consider; for I am become vile [despised].

Lam 1:12 *Is it* nothing to you, all ye that pass by?

behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow [affliction],

which is {severely} done unto me,

wherewith the LORD hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce anger.

Lam 1:13 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them:

he hath spread a net for my feet,

he hath turned me back:

he hath made me desolate and faint all the day.

Lam 1:14 The yoke of my transgressions is bound

by his hand: they are wreathed [knit together],

and come up upon my neck:

he hath made my strength to fall,

the LORD hath delivered me into their hands, from whom I am not able to rise up.

Lam 1:15 The LORD hath trodden under foot all my mighty *men* in the midst of me: he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men:

the LORD hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a winepress.

Lam 1:16 For these things I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water,

because the comforter that should relieve my soul is far from me:

my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.

Lam 1:17 **Zion** spreadeth forth her hands, and there is none to comfort her:

the LORD hath commanded concerning Jacob, that his adversaries should be round about him:

Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

#### Lam 1:18 The LORD is righteous; for I have rebelled against his **commandment**:

hear, I pray you, all people, and behold my sorrow:

my virgins and my young men are gone into captivity.

Lam 1:19 I called for my lovers, but they deceived me:

my priests and mine elders gave up the ghost [perished] in the city, while they sought their meat [food] to relieve their souls.

Lam 1:20 Behold, O LORD; for I am in distress:

my bowels [digestive system] are troubled;

mine heart is turned within me;

for I have grievously rebelled:

abroad the sword bereaveth, at home there is as death.

Lam 1:21 They have heard that I sigh: *there is* none to comfort me:

all mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad that thou hast done it:

## A cry for revenge

thou wilt bring the day that thou hast called, and they shall be like unto me.

Lam 1:22 Let all their wickedness come before thee;

and do unto them, as thou hast done unto me for all my transgressions:

for my sighs are many, and my heart is faint.

## God's wrath against Judah, Jerusalem, and the misused Temple

Lam 2:1 How hath the LORD covered the daughter of **Zion** with a cloud in his anger,

and cast down from heaven unto the earth the beauty of Israel,

and remembered not his footstool in the day of his anger!

Lam 2:2 The LORD hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and hath not pitied:

he hath thrown down in his wrath the strong holds of the daughter of **Judah**;

he hath brought *them* down to the ground:

he hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.

Lam 2:3 He hath cut off in his fierce anger all the horn [strength] of **Israel**:

he hath drawn back his right hand from before the enemy,

and he burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, which devoureth round about.

Lam 2:4 He hath bent his bow like an enemy:

he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew all that were pleasant to the eye

in the tabernacle of the daughter of **Zion**: he poured out his fury like fire.

#### Lam 2:5 The LORD was as an enemy:

he hath swallowed up Israel,

he hath swallowed up all her palaces:

he hath destroyed his strong holds,

and hath increased in the daughter of **Judah** mourning and lamentation.

## The profaned Temple plundered by Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon

Lam 2:6 And he hath violently taken away his tabernacle, as if it were of a garden:

he hath destroyed his places of the assembly:

the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.

Lam 2:7 The LORD hath cast off his altar, he hath abhorred his sanctuary,

he hath given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the LORD, as in the day of a solemn feast.

#### Lam 2:8 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of **Zion**:

he hath stretched out a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from destroying: therefore he made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together. Lam 2:9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars:

#### The wicked leaders of Jerusalem are made Desolate

her king and her princes *are* among the Gentiles: **the law** *is* no *more*; her prophets also find no vision from the LORD.

Lam 2:10 The elders of the daughter of **Zion** sit upon the ground, *and* keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of **Jerusalem** hang down their heads to the ground.

## Small Children are not considered innocent nor are they spared

Lam 2:11 Mine eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are troubled, my liver is poured upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings swoon in the streets of the city. Lam 2:12 They say to their mothers, Where *is* corn and wine? when they swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their soul was poured out into their mothers' bosom.

Lam 2:13 What thing shall I take to witness for thee?

what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of **Jerusalem**? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of **Zion**?

for thy breach [ruin] is great like the sea: who can heal thee?

## False Prophets of Prosperity

Lam 2:14 Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered [exposed] thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment.

## A Horror and a Hissing - Enemies mock Jerusalem

Lam 2:15 All that pass by clap *their* hands at thee; they hiss and wag their head at the daughter of **Jerusalem**, *saying*, *Is* this the city that *men* call The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?

Lam 2:16 All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say,

We have swallowed *her* up:

certainly this *is* the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen *it*.

Lam 2:17 The LORD hath done *that* which he had devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath caused *thine* enemy to rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.

## Tears day and night

#### Lam 2:18

Their heart cried unto the LORD,

O wall of the daughter of **Zion**, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.

Lam 2:19 Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the LORD: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street.

## Sword and Famine

#### Lam 2:20

Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this.

Shall the women eat their fruit [offspring], and children of a span long [who were born healthy]?

shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the LORD?

Lam 2:21 The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain *them* in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, *and* not pitied.

## Terrors on every side

Lam 2:22 Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD's anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

- Lam 3:1 I am the man that hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.
- Lam 3:2 He hath led me, and brought *me into* darkness, but not *into* light.
- Lam 3:3 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand against me all the day.
- Lam 3:4 My flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath broken my bones.
- Lam 3:5 He hath builded against me, and compassed me with gall and travail.
- Lam 3:6 He hath set me in dark places, as they that be dead of old.
- Lam 3:7 He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out; he hath made my chain heavy.
- Lam 3:8 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.
- Lam 3:9 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.

- Lam 3:10 He was unto me as a bear lying in wait, and as a lion in secret places.
- Lam 3:11 He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces:

he hath made me desolate.

- Lam 3:12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.
- Lam 3:13 He hath caused the arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.
- Lam 3:14 I was a derision to all my people; and their song all the day.
- Lam 3:15 He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.
- Lam 3:16 He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones,

he hath covered me with ashes.

- Lam 3:17 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgat prosperity.
- Lam 3:18 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:
- Lam 3:19 Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.
- Lam 3:20 My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.

## Striking then Healing

- Lam 3:21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.
- Lam 3:22 It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.
- Lam 3:23 *They are* new every morning: great *is* thy faithfulness.
- Lam 3:24 The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.
- Lam 3:25 The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.
- Lam 3:26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.
- Lam 3:27 It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.
- Lam 3:28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne [laid] it upon him.
- Lam 3:29 He putteth his mouth in the dust;

if so be there may be hope.

Lam 3:30 He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him:

he is filled full with reproach.

- Lam 3:31 For the LORD will not cast off for ever:
- Lam 3:32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.
- Lam 3:33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

Note: The LORD disciplines His people and punishes corruption but He does not abuse His people.

- Lam 3:34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth,
- Lam 3:35 To turn aside the right of a man [deprive a man of justice] before the face of the most High,
- Lam 3:36 To subvert a man in his cause [to defraud a man in his lawsuit],

the LORD approveth not.

#### Let us return to the LORD

- Lam 3:37 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the LORD commandeth it not?
- Lam 3:38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil [calamity] and good?
- Lam 3:39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?

#### Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

- Lam 3:41 Let us lift up our heart with *our* hands unto God in the heavens.
- Lam 3:42 We have transgressed and have rebelled:

#### thou hast not pardoned.

- Lam 3:43 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied.
- Lam 3:44 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that *our* prayer should not pass through.
- Lam 3:45 Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people.
- Lam 3:46 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.
- Lam 3:47 Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.
- Lam 3:48 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.
- Lam 3:49 Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission, Lam 3:50 Till the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.
- Lam 3:51 Mine eye affecteth mine heart because of all the daughters of my city.
- Lam 3:52 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.
- Lam 3:53 They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone upon me.
- Lam 3:54 Waters flowed over mine head; then I said, I am cut off.

#### Lam 3:55

#### I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.

- Lam 3:56 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.
- Lam 3:57 Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not.
- Lam 3:58 O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast redeemed my life.
- Lam 3:59 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong [oppression]: judge thou my cause [case].
- Lam 3:60 Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me.
- Lam 3:61 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, and all their imaginations against me;
- Lam 3:62 The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.
- Lam 3:63 Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I am their musick [mocking song].
- Lam 3:64 Render unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of their hands.
- Lam 3:65 Give them sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.
- Lam 3:66 Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of the LORD.

## Famine and Cannibalism, the Glamorous made Desolate

**Lam 4:1** How is the gold become dim! *how* is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.

Lam 4:2 The precious sons of **Zion**, comparable to fine gold,

how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!

Lam 4:3 Even the sea monsters draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: the daughter of my people *is become* cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness.

Lam 4:4 The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst:

the young children ask bread, and no man breaketh it unto them.

Lam 4:5 They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.

Lam 4:6 For the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the sin of Sodom, which was overthrown as in a moment,

And no hands were turned toward her.

Lam 4:7 Her consecrated ones were purer than snow, They were whiter than milk;

They were more ruddy *in* body than **corals**, Their polishing *was* like **lapis lazuli.** 

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Lam 4:6 For the punishment of the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment,

and no hands stayed on her.

Lam 4:7 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of sapphire:

(KJV)

Lam 4:8 Their visage [appearance] is blacker than a coal;

they are not known in the streets:

their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.

Lam 4:9 They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger:

for these pine away, stricken through for want of the fruits of the field.

Lam 4:10 The hands of the pitiful [compassionate] women have sodden [boiled] their own children: they were their meat [food] in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

## Hunted down and captured

Lam 4:11 The LORD hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, nd hath kindled a fire in **Zion**, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.

Lam 4:12 The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed that the adversary and the enemy should [could] have entered into the gates of **Jerusalem**.

Lam 4:13 For the sins of her prophets, *and* the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her, Lam 4:14 They have wandered *as* blind *men* in the streets,

they have polluted themselves with blood, so that men could not touch their garments.

Lam 4:15 They cried unto them, Depart ye; it is unclean; depart, depart, touch not:

when they fled away and wandered,

they said among the heathen, They shall no more sojourn there.

Lam 4:16 The anger [presence] of the LORD hath divided them; he will no more regard them:

they respected not the persons of **the priests**, they favoured not **the elders**.

Lam 4:17 As for us, our eyes as yet failed

for our vain help:

in our watching we have watched for a nation *that* could not save *us*. (Note: **Egypt** took them in for concessions and **Assyria** turned on them after taking them in. **Egypt** and **Judah** were soon brought naked with hooks in their jaws to **Babylon**. See also Lamentations 5:6.)

Lam 4:18 They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come.

Lam 4:19 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven:

they pursued us upon the mountains,

they laid wait for us in the wilderness.

Lam 4:20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.

## Judgment on Esau's Offspring after completion of Judgment on Judah/Jerusalem

Lam 4:21 Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of **Edom**, that dwellest in the land of Uz;

the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.

Lam 4:22 The punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of **Zion**;

he will no more carry thee away into captivity:

he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he will discover [expose] thy sins.

## Famine, Slavery, Rape, Executions, Desolation

- Lam 5:1 Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach.
- Lam 5:2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.
- Lam 5:3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers *are* as widows.
- Lam 5:4 We have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us.
- Lam 5:5 Our necks *are* under persecution: we labour, *and* have no rest.
- Lam 5:6 We have given the hand to the Egyptians, and to the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.
- Lam 5:9 We gat our bread with the peril of our lives because of the sword of the wilderness.
- Lam 5:10 Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine.
- Lam 5:7 Our fathers have sinned, and are not; and we have borne their iniquities.
- Lam 5:16 The crown is fallen *from* our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned!
- Lam 5:8 Servants have ruled over us: there is none that doth deliver us out of their hand.
- Lam 5:13 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood.
- Lam 5:11 They ravished the women in **Zion**, and the maids in the cities of **Judah**.
- Lam 5:12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured.
- Lam 5:14 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their musick.
- Lam 5:15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.
- Lam 5:18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk upon it.
- Lam 5:17 For this our heart is faint; for these *things* our eyes are dim.

## A cry for relief

- Lam 5:20 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time?
- Lam 5:21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.
- Lam 5:22 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.
- Lam 5:19 Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation.

#### Note:

Scripture records what men perceive/feel God to be, what He does, and His motives for doing so. Scripture also records who/what God really is. People often make the mistake of confusing the two together and therefore teach error. To get a more accurate picture of God pay close attention to what He actually says about Himself when He Himself is speaking. It is wise to record/list the things God says about Himself and the respective scripture references.