

#### **BkEze 12 THE YOKE OF THE KING** (parenthetical context) Text Ezekiel 12 LightHouse Ranch Church James P. Porteous 03-19-23

Jer 4:1 If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove. ES. 2 KINCS, CODIS DI ANI

Domono 6:16

| 2 YOKES: 2 KINGS: GOD'S PLAN Romans 6:16       |  |
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| Yoke #1  | Yoke #2  |
| King Jesus (the living WORD)                   | King Nebuchadnezzar                                      |
| Mt 11:27 All things are delivered unto me      | Jer 27:8 And it shall come to pass, that                 |
| of my Father: and no man knoweth the           | the nation and kingdom which will not                    |
| Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any       | serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king                   |
| man the Father, save the Son, and <i>he</i> to | of Babylon, and that will not put their                  |
| whomsoever the Son will reveal <i>him</i> .    | neck under the yoke of the king of                       |
| Mt 11:28 Come unto me, all ye that             | Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith                |
| labour and are heavy laden, and I will         | the LORD, with the sword, and with the                   |
| give you rest.                                 | famine, and with the pestilence, until I                 |
| Mt 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and            | have consumed them by his hand.                          |
| learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in        | Jer 27:11 But the nations that bring their               |
| heart: and ye shall find rest unto your        | neck under the <mark>yoke of the king of Babylon,</mark> |
| souls.   | and serve him, those will I let remain still in          |
| Mt 11:30 For my yoke <i>is</i> easy, and my    | their own land, saith the LORD; and they                 |
| burden is light.                               | shall till it, and dwell therein.                        |
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### The LORD reveals His judgment method for all nations

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.

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.

## THE LORD'S ABSOLUTE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT

The LORD desires us to understand and know Him and His ways. He delights in exercising in the earth: (Jer 9:24; Eze 34:27)

- 1. Lovingkindness,
- 2. Judgment (true justice), and
- 3. Righteousness.

The LORD, the only Just Judge, used:

- 1. Nebuchadnezzar and his kingdom to judge His people, Israel;
- 2. Other nations to judge Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom; and will ultimately use
- 3. His people to judge all people in the millennial kingdom. (Re 2:26-27)

<u>Jer 27</u> God's plan: the yoke of the king of Babylon.

De 28 The LORD revealed His judgment warning and method through Moses.

**God's call for repentance: Jer 4:1** If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove.

<u>2Ch 33</u> King Manasseh's evil reign and subsequent deliverance.

<u>2Ki 23:21-27</u> Judah will not escape judgment because of Manasseh's evil deeds.

<u>2Ch 34</u> – 35:19 Josiah, last good king: misses sure judgment of rebellious Judah.

# THOSE WHO WALK IN THE WORD (<u>1Jo 1:5-7</u>; <u>Titus 2:11-15</u>)

**Re 3:10** Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

**Re 3:11** Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

## THE YOKE OF KING JESUS

**Mt 11:27** All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.

Mt 11:28 Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Mt 11:29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

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