

Ezekiel 21 I WILL CUT OFF FROM THEE THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED LightHouse Ranch Biblical Chuckwagon — come and dine 07-09-23

JUDGMENT AND DELIVERANCE FOR ISRAEL (Jer 30:7-11)

Ezekiel 21:1 (KJB) And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

- **2** Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel,
- **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.
- **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:
- 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.

Order to warn that Judgment is Coming: be emphatic; be adamant

- **6** Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of *thy* loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.
- **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.

Double reference: Babylonian captivity; also, the Battle of Armageddon

- 8 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- **9** Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:
- **10** It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? it contemneth the rod of my son, as every tree. (*Jer 7:34; Ex 4:22*)
- **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 slayer.
- **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.
- **13** Because *it is* a trial, and what if *the sword* contemn even the rod? it shall be no *more*, saith the Lord GOD.
- **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.
- **15** I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that *their* heart may faint, and *their* ruins be multiplied: ah! *it is* made bright, *it is* wrapped up for the slaughter.

- **16** Go thee one way or other, *either* on the right hand, *or* on the left, whithersoever thy face *is* set.
- **17** I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have said *it*. (*Eze* 5:13-15)
- 18 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,
- **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.
- **20** Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced. Warn; judgment for Jew and Gentile (2Ki 24:7)
- **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.
- **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.
- **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. (*Jer 37:7-9*)
- **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.
- 25 And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end, (dbl. ref.: Babylon captivity "king Zedekiah"; the Tribulation "antichrist")

The Babylonian Captivity is a type of the Tribulation Period

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. 27 I will overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it *him*. (*Isaiah 9:6-7*)

- 1 Babylon: Jews lose their kingdom; no more kings for Israel;
- 2 the LORD demands and executes true and fair judgment; Babylon cap. & (Re 19)
- 3 Tribulation: Father gives Christ the throne of David. (Re 11:15)

Ammonite Judgment (*Deu 23:3-5*); type of judgment of nations (*Mt 25:31-46*)

- **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:
- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **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*.