

Ezekiel 12

King James Version (KJV)

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

²Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a rebellious house. (God's prophets teach them time after time and they always refuse to listen – even today you can't teach them anything)

³Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee stuff for removing, 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. (Pack your bags and leave; it might make them think)

⁴Then 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. (God is using Ezekiel as a type to prophecy what will happen to Zedekiah and to Jerusalem at the hands of Nebuchadnezzar)

⁵Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby. (This is a prophecy – King Zedekiah did this and was captured by Babylon; trying to sneak out, when Babylon took Jerusalem)

⁶In 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. (Prophecy – Nebuchadnezzar will blind Zedekiah when he captures him)

⁷And 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.

⁸And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

⁹Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?

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. (Prophecy for Zedekiah and his sons)

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.

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.

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. (This happened to Zedekiah just as it was foretold in this prophecy)

¹⁴ And I will scatter toward every wind all that are about him to help him, and all his bands; and I will draw out the sword after them.

¹⁵ And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries. (Both houses of Israel were scattered over the Caucasus Mountains into Europe and later, America – they became known as Caucasians)

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. (They will be witnesses to what has happened to Israel and why it happened to them) (God let all the sons of Zedekiah die, but he spared the daughters. Jeremiah took them to Egypt, and later to the British Isles. One was named Scots – who later founded Scotland)

¹⁷ Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

¹⁸ Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness; (As a sign of what is coming to Jerusalem)

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. (Famine will be judgment for

their evil ways; in the end days the famine will be for hearing the Word of God)

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. (They are desolate because they refuse to hear the Word of God)

²¹ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

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? (A false proverb; things won't change; all is good; we won't be taken into captivity) (Today the false proverb is the rapture doctrine, and also the ridiculous belief of "American Exceptional-ism". We have left God, as a nation and HE will leave us for it. We will fail without God's blessings)

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. (The enemy is at the gate; the prophecies will be fulfilled)

²⁴ For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel. (The truth will be upon them; no more denials; no more fake preachers)

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. (God always warns us beforehand. The problem is that people don't listen)

²⁶ Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying.

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. (They say - Ezekiel's prophecies are in the distant future)

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. (Not true. The prophecies are all about to be fulfilled, right before their eyes)