- **21** And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- ²Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop thy word toward the holy places, and <u>prophesy against the land</u> of Israel, (This prophecy is against the nation, not the people. Those who remain faithful to God will not suffer from these prophecies. This place is also where antichrist will set up his church in the end times)
- 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. (The sword then was Nebuchadnezzar; and in the future it will be the Elect, preaching God's Word and witnessing against antichrist)
- *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:
- That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more.
- ⁶ Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of thy loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes. (Knees shaking)
- ⁷And 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. (There's nothing to fear if you remain faithful to God)
- *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: (sharp and glistening)
- ¹⁰ It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? it <u>contemneth</u> the rod of my son, as every tree. (contemneth = treat or regard with contempt; The sword is Nebuchadnezzar, sent by God to correct Judah) (Future tense

- antichrist will have contempt for God and those who remain true to Him)
- 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. (The slayer is antichrist slaying souls with false doctrine. God will use him to correct the people)
- ¹²Cry and howl, son of man: for it shall be upon my people, <u>it shall be upon all the princes of Israel</u>: terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people: smite therefore upon thy thigh. (Zedekiah and his sons will die for treason against Nebuchadnezzar. They made a covenant with him to rule Judah as vassal kings and then reneged on their oath. They hired the Egyptians to fight for them against Babylon)
- ¹³ Because it is a trial, and what if the sword contemn even the rod? it shall be no more, saith the Lord God.
- ¹⁴Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, <u>and smite thine hands</u> <u>together</u>. 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. (Get their attention to warn them. They won't listen, and will die for it. These are Zedekiah and his sons)
- ¹⁵I 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. (Jesus said Always fish out of the right side of the boat. The left has always been about atheism, communism, fascism and now, islam)
- ¹⁷ I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have said it.
- 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. (Make a choice; choose one way or the other)

- ²⁰ Appoint a way, that the sword may come to <u>Rabbath</u> of the Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced. (Rabbath = the high place or place of worship)
- ²¹ For the king of Babylon stood at the parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, to use <u>divination</u>: he made his arrows bright, he consulted with images, <u>he looked in the liver</u>. (divination= false teaching, witchcraft) (The heathen used to look at animal livers to make predictions, like reading tea leaves today)
- 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. (In the future, the divination will be the false messiah antichrist. He will deceive the whole world)
- 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. (This refers to Zedekiah and his ilk; they swore allegiance to Nebuchadnezzar, and then enlisted the Egyptians to betray Nebuchadnezzar. They were traitors. God sent Nebuchadnezzar to correct Judah)
- 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, (The death of Zedekiah)
- 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. (Zedekiah and his sons were high; the daughters were low; the high were abased, the low were exalted in founding nations in Western Europe and the British Isles: example- Scota founded Scotland, another daughter married the king of England. That led down the generations to the King James Bible in 1611)
- 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. (Prophecy Stone of Scone <Stone of destiny, Jacob's pillar> changes hands three times in the future. It is still used today to crown new kings and queens in England. The third overturn was when the stone was returned to

Scotland. Christ will be the true King whose right it is to receive the stone. It went from Jerusalem -to Scone, Scotland<1>; to London, England<2>; back to Scone, Scotland<3>)

- 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: (Ammon was a grandson of Lot, by his daughter. The Ammonites were idol worshippers who also practiced human sacrifice to Moloch. Israel gladly adopted their gods to worship, and abandoned Yahoveh)
- ²⁹ Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon the necks of them <u>that are slain</u>, of the wicked, whose day is come, when their iniquity shall have an end. (Spiritually slain; to lose your salvation by false teachings and idolatry)
- 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. (The sword then was Nebuchadnezzar; the future sword will be antichrist, leading people into idolatry through deception)
- ³¹ And I will pour out mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath, and <u>deliver thee into the hand of brutish</u> <u>men, and skilful to destroy</u>. (Then- the Babylonians; Future- antichrist, his fallen angels and the Kenites)
- ³²Thou 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.