

A Study of the Prophets

O.T. Survey Lesson 171--Ezekiel 6:1-7:27

Introduction: What Ezekiel revealed in symbolic actions in the last section, he now reveals explicitly in pointed sermons concerning Judah's destruction. It was important to the Jews dwelling in captivity to understand that there was no possibility of their immediate return home or the salvation of Jerusalem from destruction.

Lesson aim: To show how God made clear to the exiles that Jerusalem's destruction would make it clear that He alone was the Lord.

Ezekiel prophesies Jerusalem's fall by explicit statements--Ezekiel 6:1-6:27

1. What message was Ezekiel to deliver to the "mountains of Israel"? (v. 3)
2. God revealed that Judah's slain would fall before what? (v. 3-7)
3. What would this cause Judah to know? (v. 7)
4. What did God say the remnant who survived the destruction would remember? (v. 9) What would they then know? (v. 10)
5. How did God indicate that the people of Judah would die? (v. 11-13) Would the idols they had worshipped be able to save them?

Ezekiel's message: "The end has come"--Ezekiel 7:1-27

1. What did Ezekiel prophesy was about to come? (v. 2-4) What would this cause the people of Judah to know?
2. What did the Lord say was coming upon Judah? (v. 5-9) What would those thus smitten now know?

3. God revealed that the day of destruction was near because _____ had blossomed and _____ had grown into a rod (v. 10-11).
4. What did God say concerning the buyer and the seller? (v. 12-13)
5. Describe the conduct of the people during the siege (v. 14-19)
6. Why did God say He was bringing this destruction upon Judah? (v. 20-27)