

EZEKIEL 15 vs 1

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Ezekiel told the ones who said they were ruled by God: The days are near, and every vision will be fulfilled. Thus says the Lord God; none of My words will be delayed any longer. (chapter 13) This prophecy was told in Jerusalem... Isaiah and Jeremiah had warned them, and now Ezekiel.

Repeatedly, Ezekiel told of the utter ruin of Jerusalem. In this chapter, God shows him the necessity that it is destroyed. Ezekiel's ministry was to keep before those in captivity, the sins which brought God's judgment on them, and to assure them of God's future blessing for those who would return to Him and keep His covenant. For this, we learn, Ezekiel was murdered, being dragged through the streets.

Jerusalem, a Useless Vine

¹ And the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

² Son of man, how is the wood of the vine better than any wood of a branch which is among the trees of the forest?

³ Can wood be taken from it to make anything? or can men take a peg from it to hang any vessel on it?

⁴ Behold, if it is put into the fire for fuel, and the fire consumes both of its ends, and the midst of it is charred, is it useful for anything?

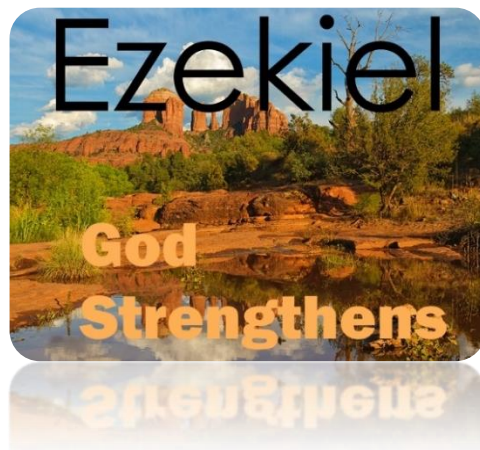
⁵ Behold, while it is intact, it is not made into anything. How much less when the fire has consumed it and it is charred, can it still be made into anything!

⁶ Therefore thus says the LORD God: As the wood of the vine among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so I have given up the residents of Jerusalem.

⁷ And I set My face against them.

Though they came from one fire, another fire will consume them.

Then you will know:



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I am the LORD,

when I set My face against them / which is a sober lesson for all us to learn; that we not to presume on the mercies of the LORD who isn't spending all His days thundering all the time from the heavens. When He speaks, we are to pay attention.

⁸ And I will make the land desolate, because they faithlessly trespassed, says the LORD God.

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