

JEREMIAH 50 vs 17

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This chapter spoke to the people of God who Jeremiah addressed 2500 years ago; but prophecy often serves a dual purpose, in this case speaking to God's people at the end of Gentile history, when the last beastlike govt Mystery Babylon is finally destroyed. So, Jeremiah lets us in the 21st generation know what to expect... when the time of the harvest arrives, emblematic of the 3 Days of the Lord that remain on His calendar, as important as Passover and Pentecost; the time when Messiah returns to rule with a rod of iron,

everyone will return to his own people; everyone will flee to his own land.

Jeremiah has been speaking to the leaders in Jerusalem and the southern 2 tribes of the House of Judah, assuring them they would one day return to their own land – at least those who had the desire.

So, what happened to the northern 10 tribes? Read on...

¹⁷ **Israel** is a scattered sheep; driven away by lions / the 10 northern tribes led by Ephraim – who was ½ Egyptian... went into captivity 170 years before Judah went to Babylon.

First the king of Assyria devoured him; and now Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon has gnawed his bones.

¹⁸ **So, thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I punished the king of Assyria.**

¹⁹ **I will restore Israel to his pasture / to his place of rest, and he will feed on Carmel / in the northwest... and Bashan / in the northeast, and his desire will be satisfied on the hills of Ephraim and Gilead.**

²⁰ **In those days, at that time, says the Lord, iniquity / inequity = inequality; the unevenness of law being measured to all...**

will be sought in Israel, and there will be none; and sin in Judah, and none will be found: for I will pardon those I leave as a remnant / the few that are faithful will be judicially forgiven.

²¹ **Go up against the land of Merathaim, even against it / the name means: double rebellion, and against the inhabitants of Pekod / this name means: punishment – or visited in judgment:**

These names do not seem to reflect real locations, rather they are dramatic descriptions of where God's people were exiled to, those who grew faithless to God... once they were set apart for His purposes;



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now they are **set apart to be utterly destroyed, after them declares the Lord** / now they were dedicated to destruction, even to their posterity... to the 3rd and 4th generation of those who hate Him,

and do all that I have commanded you / Moses told them what they could expect should they choose to not keep and do the 10 commandments and receive untold blessings from God: read about the blessings and the curses it in [Deuteronomy 27 - 28](#).

²² **A noise of battle is in the earth, and great destruction. How the hammer of the whole earth is cut down and broken!** / Daniel said, [the last govt would be smashing and destroying until the whole world is broken](#) – [Daniel 2](#).

How *mystery* Babylon has become a horror among the nations!

²⁴ **I set a snare for you, and you are also taken, O *mystery* Babylon, while you were not aware: you were found and caught, because you opposed the Lord** / they thought they could hide their identity behind all their hirelings; they were wrong; they have been unmasked.

²⁵ **The Lord has opened His armory, and brought out the weapons of His wrath: for the Lord God of hosts has a work to do in the land of the Chaldeans** / with hirelings of Rome.

²⁶ **Come against her from the furthest borders open her storehouses, pile her up like heaps of grain, and destroy her utterly: let nothing be left of her** / rush at her from every direction and devastate her; expose her silos.

²⁷ **Kill all her bulls** / Martin Luther bravely burned their bulls; **let them go down to the slaughter: Woe to them! for their day has arrived, the time of their visitation** / how terrible it will be to them... the time of their punishment will arrive one day.

²⁸ **There is a sound! They flee and escape from the land of *mystery* Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the Lord our God, the vengeance for His temple** / in Jerusalem, the City of David... His anger for their abuse of that which foreshadowed what Messiah would do when He came in humility... when the Good Pastor came to find and heal and restore His people – at least those who looked for His appearing.

²⁹ **Summon archers against *mystery* Babylon: all who bend the bow. Encamp around her; let no one escape. Repay her according to her deeds; do to her according to all that she has done** / [she who is drunk on the blood of the saints and the martyrs of Jesus – do to her double](#) -- [Revelation 17-18](#). **For she has proudly defied the Lord, the Holy One of Israel** / so this *mystery* Babylon has been in league with the devil; Lucifer, lifted up in pride, all who say they are like God... are really overstuff Cows and portly Bulls.

³⁰ **So her young men will fall in the streets, and all her soldiers will be destroyed on that day, declares the Lord** / all her devotees and defenders and hocus pocus workers... will be shattered on that **bloody 6th Day** of the Lord.

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³¹ Behold, I am against you, O prideful one, says the Lord God of hosts: for your day has come, the time that I visit you / and He is not coming for tea and cakes; He is coming to silence your whiny--ass mouth.

³² The prideful one will stumble and fall, and no one will raise him up: I will ignite a fire in his cities, and it will consume it all.

³³ Thus says the Lord of hosts: The children of **Israel** are oppressed, and the children of **Judah** with them: all who took them captive, held them fast; they refused to let them go / Israel and Judah have been exploited by Rome and her insatiable love of money needed to work her demonic deeds; for centuries of fear and dread, Rome maintained a strong hold over the people.

³⁴ But their Redeemer is strong the Lord of hosts is His name / but the Lord of Israel and Judah is stronger; He has in His armory all that is animate and inanimate to work His agenda and bring victory:

He will surely plead their cause, that He give rest to the **earth**, but unrest to the inhabitants of *mystery* Babylon.

And how will the Lord do that? With the choice weapon of His warfare. Read on...

³⁵ A **sword** against the Chaldeans / Rome has hirelings to do its bidding, declares the Lord, and against the inhabitants of *mystery* Babylon, and against her officials, and her wise men / against all her lawless overseers and hierarchy.

³⁶ A **sword** against the diviners / against the hocus pocus workers; that they become fools: a **sword** against her warriors / against her soldiers who love darkness; that they be dismayed.

³⁷ A **sword** against her horses and against her chariots / her CIA and NATO machinery smashing and destroying the nations, and against all nations that are in her midst; that they become as women / all the Herodian thugs and criminals populating the UN and EU projects... have become a bunch of wimps and wusses; have you noticed in this chapter about this Mystery Babylon, only men are mentioned? Strange, isn't it? a **sword** against all her treasures; they will be plundered! / The sword of the Lord is powerful.

³⁸ A drought against her waters; that they be dried up! / her fat ass sits on many waters – Rev.17 For it is the land of graven images, and they are mad over idols / they are crazy mad to flaunt their gaudy rebellion of cheesy knickknacks to God the Creator, thereby ignoring His covenant of 10 commands.

³⁹ ~~So wild beasts of the desert with beasts of the islands will dwell there~~ / this verse was repeated by Isaiah; it is **not** an abrupt discussion on animal life in deserts and islands: **desert beasts** = **shi**; with **island beasts** = **ai**; briefly it denotes 2 chief locations where we know the children of Israel and Judah along with their brilliant birdbrains for leaders had occupied in their resettlement; **and in it the owls will dwell** / John writes: Babylon is fallen; it has become the habitation of demons... a prison of every foul and hateful bird – Rev.18;

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Isaiah tells us: **screech owls**, and the **satyr**... some demonic ruler, perhaps antichrist; Paul says, **the man of sin! -- will live there**. See **Isaiah 34:14**.

and screech owls will no more inhabit it forever, nor will they again dwell in her from generation to generation.

40 As when God overthrew **Sodom and Gomorrah** and the neighboring cities, says the Lord; so, **no man will dwell there, and no son of man will journey in it** / the place will be forgotten, not worthy of anyone's curiosity.

41 Behold, a people come from the north / Manasseh would become a great people at the end time; perhaps there will be a great awakening among that highly blessed people; and they will be called to destroy the last roman govt of the world,

a great nation and many kings are stirring from the islands of the earth / prophet Isaiah wrote repeatedly of **Israel in the islands** where Ephraim ruled; had the two brothers come to their senses and risen to do the Lord's bidding? **The great nation will be a present of the Lord to Zion** – **Isaiah 18**

42 They seize bow and spear: they are harsh and have **no** mercy. The sound of them is like the roaring of the sea *of humanity*; they ride on horses, arrayed for battle, against you, O *mystery* daughter of Babylon!

43 The king of *mystery* Babylon heard the report of them, and his hands fell limp: panic seized him, pain as of a woman in labor.

44 Behold, like a lion coming from the thicket of the Jordan against a perennial pasture, I will suddenly make them flee from her: and I will appoint over her whomever I choose. For who is like Me? Who will summons Me? What pastor can stand before Me?

45 So hear the plan that the Lord makes against *mystery* Babylon; and the purposes that He has purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely the littlest of the flock will be dragged away: surely their fold will be appalled at their fate.

These 6 verses parallel the verses written in chapter 49; with minor changes: instead of Babylon, Edom; instead of the Chaldeans, Teman – the first son of Ishmael.

46 At the sound of the capture of *mystery* Babylon, the **earth** moved and her cry is heard among the nations / prophet Haggai heard the Lord say, **once more I will shake not only the heavens, but also the earth**; and I bet it will be a terrifying time, such as never had happened to date, and never will happen when it is finished; Even the merchants of the earth will weep for her whose judgment came upon her in one hour; and no one will buy their cargo any more – **Rev.18**.