

Ezekiel 17-20 - Lesson 6

Judah's Rebellion - 17	God Judges Individuals for Their Actions - 18
<p>Parable (1-10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First eagle = Babylon - 2nd eagle = Pharaoh = Egypt - Took the top of the cedar - took the royal captives to Babylon - Merchants/traders = Babylon - Zedekiah is set as the ruler = vine - Branches are reaching toward Babylon but the roots reach toward Egypt - This vine will not thrive - it will wither <p>Explanation of the Parable (11-21)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jer 37:1-10 (II Chron 36:11-14) - Zedekiah reaches out to Egypt for help - They would not listen to the word of the Lord from Jeremiah - God was turning them over to the Babylonians - The city would be destroyed - Zedekiah's men will all fall by the sword - survivors will be scattered <p>Restoration of Israel (22-24)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God will take a sprig (branch) - Jesus is the Branch (Is 4:2; Jer 23:5; 33:15; Ez 34:23, 24; 37:24-25; Zec 3:8; 6:12) - It will be planted on a high and lofty mountain - Dan 2:35, 44-45 - Israel will be humbled - Brought low through judgment - Judah's remnant brought forth through the Messiah 	<p>Proverb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - fathers eat sour grapes but the children's teeth are set on edge - You can't blame others for your sins - We are suffering the consequences for what our fathers did - NOT TRUE - They are guilty and can't evade their responsibility <p>Soul who sins dies - spiritual death - separated from God for eternity - Individuals</p> <p>The righteous will live (9) Definition of righteousness (6-9)</p> <p>Righteous father and a violent son - the son is held guilty for his actions (10-13)</p> <p>Unrighteous father with a righteous son - the son is not held accountable for the father's actions (14-18)</p> <p>Wicked person who repents - he will live (21-23)</p> <p>Righteous man who turns to wickedness (24-29) - he will die I Jn 2:19</p> <p>New heart (Ez 36:24-27; Jer 31:34; Jn 3:5-8) - the New Covenant</p> <p>Does God take pleasure in the death of the wicked? Jn 5:40; I Tim 2:4; II Peter 3:9</p>

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Lament for the Princes of Israel - 19	God Deals with Israel - 20
<p>Lioness (vine) - Judah (Israel)</p> <p>Jehoahaz (3-4) - II King 23:31-33 - Taken captive to Egypt - 609 BC - King for 3 months</p> <p>Jehoachin (5-9) - II Kings 24:6-15 - Kept prisoner for 37 years (II Kings 25:27-30)</p> <p>Zedekiah (10-14) - II King 24:17-25:21 - The uncle of Jehoachin - Appointed as king by Nebuchadnezzar</p>	<p>God doesn't want to hear the elders inquiries (3, 31) - they don't want to listen - They are living in sin</p> <p>God made a promise - He swore that He would bring them out of Egypt to a land flowing with milk and honey (5-6)</p> <p>In Egypt they rebelled against God (5-9) - God acted faithfully even through their rebellion - for His name's sake that it would not be profaned among the nations</p> <p>In the wilderness they rebelled against God (10-26)</p> <p>In the promised land they rebelled against God (27-32)</p> <p>Rebellion brought judgment on the land (45-49)</p> <p>33-44 - God dealt with them for His name's sake - He will be their King - They will listen to Him - Promise of restoration</p>