

Ezekiel 11

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11 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD's house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people. (Jaazaniah = heard of Yah; Pelatiah = Yah has delivered; Benaiah = Yah has built)

²Then said he unto me, Son of man, these are the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city: (These three men were fake preachers, teaching traditions of men and idolatry. Their holy names mean nothing; their actions speak for themselves)

NOTE: (Today, men like these preach the rapture theory. They are deceiving people into falling for antichrist and his lies of rapture. They teach traditions of men instead of teaching the Word of God)

³Which say, It is not near; let us build houses: this city is the caldron, and we be the flesh. (The captivity of Judah is not going to happen. This city will protect us like an iron caldron)

NOTE: (Today, they say – Don't worry about antichrist. You're going to be "raptured" away to safety. It's all a lie to seduce people into a stupor. God told us that we need to stand against antichrist. The Holy Spirit of God will speak through us; in order to destroy antichrist's lies and deceit. Our testimony will bring down antichrist's corrupt one world system)

⁴Therefore prophecy against them, prophecy, O son of man. (Tell people the truth. Teach God's Word chapter by chapter, verse by verse – As it was written)

⁵And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them. (God knows what we all are thinking. That's why He is the only one who is qualified to judge us)

⁶Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain. (They are spiritually slain for moving away from God's Word. They obey the preacher's interpretations; instead of God's Word, chapter by chapter, verse by verse)

NOTE: (Why would people choose to believe some preacher's word, when it conflicts with God's Word? Follow God; not man)

⁷Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they are the flesh, and this city is the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it. (No one can interfere with God's plan)

(God said that Judah would go into captivity to Babylon; and it did just that. God called Nebuchadnezzar "My servant". HE used Babylon to correct Judah, because of their great sins) Jeremiah-27:6-8

⁸Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD. (They deserted God, so He removed His protection from them)

⁹And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you. (Babylon will take Jerusalem captive)

¹⁰Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the LORD. (On the border, not in the country; they will be taken by Babylon, as God has already judged)

¹¹This city shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; but I will judge you in the border of Israel: (Israel will fall and you will be taken captive)

¹²And ye shall know that I am the LORD: for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that are round about you. (They are being judged because they have failed miserably. They were taught by the prophets; yet they left God for the ways of the heathen tribes)

NOTE: (The Christian nations of Europe and North America are also about to be judged for the same offenses against God. People don't believe it, but they will soon learn a very harsh lesson. God is in charge and He will have His way)

¹³And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel? (This guy was not a part of the remnant. He taught

traditions of men and led people away from the Word of God) See verse 2 of this chapter

¹⁴ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

¹⁵ Son of man, thy brethren, even thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, are they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession. (They abandoned God, so He abandoned them)

¹⁶ Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come. (Today, the 12 tribes of Israel are scattered all over Europe and North America)

NOTES: (Today, our sanctuary is the Word of God and Jesus Christ, Himself; not some country or some city. God protects those who learn His Word, do His work and love Him; regardless of which country they live in. HE destroyed the country of Israel; not the people. All 12 tribes are alive and living in various countries – in Western Europe and North America)

¹⁷ Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel. (That will happen on the Lord's Day)

(God can save and bless a single righteous person, even if he or she is surrounded by a sea of heathen people)

¹⁸ And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence. (They = the Elect; they will have no part of Antichrists filthy one world system)

(God will use the Elect to remove everything that is unclean)

¹⁹ And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: (The Holy Spirit of God will be in them)

(heart of flesh = a compassionate heart – figure of speech in the Hebrew)

²⁰ That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God. (Just knowing God's Word isn't enough; we have to obey God's laws. We have to do what is right and moral)

²¹ But as for them whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, saith the Lord God. (Everyone makes their own choice – to follow God, or to follow the ways of the world. They will be judged by what they choose and what they do)

²² Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.

²³ And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city. (This is the Mount of Olives – where Jesus ascended into heaven; and where He will return as Messiah at the 7th Trump)

²⁴ Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me. (God took him from Jerusalem to Babylon)

²⁵ Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me. (Ezekiel obeyed God and shared what he had just learned with those who came to see him for advice)

(In those days, Babylon was coming to take Judah into captivity. In the future, it will be antichrist taking Christians into spiritual captivity by deceit and lies)