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Daily Bible Notes/Highlights Genesis through Revelation 2014

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Daniel

C21 Commentary: As with his peer prophets, Ezekiel call Israel God's enemy. A sword is being sharpened for them (9). All that can help often is a strap. How true this is for wayward believers today. Sin has become so pervasive, they don't even attempt to hide it(24).

C22. Commentary: The principal city, Jerusalem, is completely corrupt. We see this now often in many leaders. Sin is rampant in many church-houses. The Lord promises to scatter them.

C23 Commentary: The chapter provides the illustration of the two sisters who prostitute themselves (Oholah, Oholibah) i.e., Samaria and Judah. Note than God refers to them as prostitutes. They've given themselves to others. If the believer gives oneself to others, The Lord had shown that he'll give the believer over to those things. They both will suffer completely (49).

C24 Commentary: The illustration of the cooking pot is yet another methodology. Tender meat is placed within, and brings the pot to a boil. There is a cleansing aspect of a boiling pot that cannot be missed here. Israel is being cleansed and not just scaled for the sale of punishment. The chapter includes taking the prophet's wife, but he must not shed a tear. No open mourning was allowed.

Again this was an object lesson to show how resolute The Lord was with pursuing the punishment of his people. The people witnessed the prophets response. Note folks may hate God's prophets, but they are riveted to his prophets... The Lord responds I will defile my own temple, the place of your pride!

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