

Ezekiel Scroll Nine 32:1-16

And it came to be in the twelfth year, in the twelfth new month, on the first of the new month, that the word of יהוה came to me, saying;

A lamentation for Pharaoh and Egypt.

The consequences of pride, when a person goes beyond that which was rightfully theirs.

Historically Ezekiel recounts the pride and fall of Pharaoh; the pride and fall of Egypt.

V.2“Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh sovereign of Mitsrayim, and you shall say to him, ‘You were like a young lion among the nations, and you are like a serpent in the seas, and you burst forth in your rivers, and trouble the waters with your feet, and muddy their rivers.’

1. ***You were like a young lion among the nations.*** Pharaoh’s roar once filled the nations; but now it’s been silenced!
2. ***You burst forth in your rivers.*** Pharaoh; a sea serpent here, had no dominion outside his marine habitat (limited dominion).
3. ***You trouble the waters with your feet, and muddy their rivers.*** During Egypt’s incursions into foreign lands they wreaked havoc among their victims.
1. ***A young lion*** .You once had a voice; an ability to minister and speak into people’s life.
2. ***You burst forth in your rivers.*** You were doing well when you stuck to your calling
3. ***A serpent in the seas.*** A sower of discord. Do you study The Word just to be right, or do you study The Word to seek righteousness?

Don’t let other foul up the rivers of revelation from which you drink.

“You burst forth in your rivers” can also be translated as; “you gored among the rivers.”

Pharaoh; the great sea monster, whipped the water with its tail and caused a huge outflow of water to flow into the Nile and overflow; inundating the land near to the river. This of course, alludes to Egypt’s invasions of neighboring countries.

3 “Thus said the Master יהוה, ‘And I shall spread My net over you with an assembly of many peoples, and they shall bring you up in My net. 4 And I shall leave you on the land, hurl you out on the open fields,

You imagined yourself as a young lion among the nations; but I’ll treat you as you truly are, a serpent in the seas.

and make all the birds of the heavens dwell on you. And with you I shall satisfy the beasts of all the earth. 5 And I shall put your flesh on the mountains, and fill the valleys with your height, 6 and water the land with the flow of your blood unto the mountains, and let streams be filled with you.

7 And when I extinguish you, I shall cover the heavens, and make its stars dark. I shall cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.

8 All the bright lights of the heavens I shall make dark over you, and I shall bring darkness upon your land,’ declares the Master יהוה

All those heavenly bodies who interceded with יהוה in Egypt’s behalf.

And I shall trouble the hearts of many peoples, when I bring your destruction among the nations, into the lands which you have not known.

This’ll be when the nations see your wounded hurt and crippled remnants, once the news of your destruction and your confederacies downfall (a confederacy of Ishmaelite nations).

Up until now Ezekiel has presented the parable as prophecy and now he explains it!

10 And I shall make many peoples appalled at you, and their sovereigns shall be greatly afraid of you when I swing My sword before them. And they shall tremble continually, every man for his own life, in the day of your fall.’
11 “For thus said the Master יהוה, ‘The sword of the sovereign of Babel shall come upon you. 12 By the swords of the mighty men, all of them the ruthless ones of the nations, I shall make your host fall. And they shall

**ravage the arrogance of Mitsrayim, and all its host shall be destroyed.
13 And I shall destroy all its beasts from beside its great waters, and let the foot of man trouble them no more, nor let the hooves of beasts trouble them.**

“Nor let the hooves of beasts trouble them.”

Jere 5:12 “If you have run with the footmen, and they have wearied you, then how do you contend with horses? And if in the land of peace, you feel safe, then how do you manage in the Yardën jungle?”

14 Then I shall make their waters clear, and make their rivers run like oil,’ declares the Master 15 יהוה.

Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

It is impossible but that offenses will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!

When I lay the land of Mitsrayim waste, and the land shall be stripped of all that once filled it, when I have stricken all who dwell in it, then they shall know that I am

Egypt's once vibrant waterways will become quiet and unused....

Egypt will become so weakened by Nebuchadnezzar's victory that she would never again venture outside her borders.

16 יהוה This is the lamentation, and they shall lament her, the daughters of the nations lament her. Over Mitsrayim and over all her crowd they shall lament her,’ declares the Master יהוה.”

Sometimes you and I have to wait for the waters of contention to quiet and step back and allow the mud to settle to the bottom before we can begin to lead even more people into the prophetic streams of water.

V.16 finishes with the laments of Egypt, the 3 laments referring to the 3 defeats of Egypt:

1. When the Egyptian women lamented when the Babylonians triumphed over Egypt in a battle that took place outside Egypt.
2. When Nebuchadnezzar invaded Egypt and defeated not only Egypt but its foreign allies as well.
3. Nebuchadnezzar's last invasion of Egypt when the massacres were so great that no one was left in Egypt to bewail the bloodshed.

All will be unveiled and the Pharaonic cult judged - it's the end time lamentation for Pharaoh and Egypt - the world and our corrupt leaders as we know it - stay watchful!