## Jeremiah 27:1-22 Nations placed under Nebuchadnezzar King of Babylon

Message to Jehoiakim and his people – Against False Prophets

- 1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying,
- 2 "Thus says the Lord to me: 'Make for yourselves bonds and yokes, and put them on your neck, 3 and send them to the king of Edom, the king of Moab, the king of the Ammonites, the king of Tyre, and the king of Sidon, by the hand of the messengers who come to Jerusalem to Zedekiah king of Judah.
- <sup>4</sup> And command them to say to their masters, "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel thus you shall say to your masters:
- <sup>5</sup> 'I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are on the ground, by My great power and by My outstretched arm, and have given it to whom it seemed proper to Me.
- <sup>6</sup> And now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant; and the beasts of the field I have also given him to serve him.
- <sup>7</sup> So all nations shall serve him and his son and his son's son, until the time of his land comes; and then many nations and great kings shall make him serve them.
- 8 And it shall be, that the nation and kingdom which will not serve Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and which will not put its neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation I will punish,' says the Lord, 'with the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.
- <sup>9</sup> Therefore do not listen to your prophets, your diviners, your dreamers, your soothsayers, or your sorcerers, who speak to you, saying, "You shall not serve the king of Babylon."
- 10 For they prophesy a lie to you, to remove you far from your land; and I will drive you out, and you will perish.
- But the nations that bring their necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon and serve him, I will let them remain in their own land,' says the Lord, 'and they shall till it and dwell in it.'''''

## Message to Zedekiah and his people – Against False Prophets

- 12 I also spoke to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, "Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live!
- 13 Why will you die, you and your people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the Lord has spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?
- 14 Therefore do not listen to the words of the prophets who speak to you, saying, 'You shall not serve the king of Babylon,' for they prophesy a lie to you;
- 15 for I have not sent them," says the Lord, "yet they prophesy a lie in My name, that I may drive you out, and that you may perish, you and the prophets who prophesy to you."
- 16 Also I spoke to the priests and to all this people, saying, "Thus says the Lord: 'Do not listen to the words of your prophets who prophesy to you, saying, "Behold, the vessels of the Lord's house will now shortly be brought back from Babylon"; for they prophesy a lie to you.
- 17 Do not listen to them; serve the king of Babylon, and live! Why should this city be laid waste?
- 18 But if they are prophets, and if the word of the Lord is with them, let them now make intercession to the Lord of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the Lord, in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, do not go to Babylon.'

- 19 "For thus says the Lord of hosts concerning the pillars, concerning the Sea, concerning the carts, and concerning the remainder of the vessels that remain in this city,
- which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon did not take, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem —
- 21 yes, thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain in the house of the Lord, and in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem:
- <sup>22</sup> 'They shall be carried to Babylon, and there they shall be until the day that I visit them,' says the Lord. 'Then I will bring them up and restore them to this place.'"

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## Facts Revealed:

Message nations who are given to Nebuchadnezzar King of Babylon – Against False Prophets

☐ In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from Yahweh (the Lord), saying,

"Thus says Yahweh (the Lord) to me: 'Make for yourselves bonds and yokes, and put them on your neck, and send them to the king of **Edom**, the king of **Moab**, the king of the **Ammonites**, the king of **Tyre**, and the king of **Sidon**, by the hand of the messengers who come to Jerusalem to Zedekiah king of Judah.

And command them to say to their masters, "Thus says Yahweh Tsebaaovt Elohey Yisrael (the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel) — thus you shall say to your masters:

'I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are on the ground, by My great power and by My outstretched arm, and have given it to whom it seemed proper to Me.

And now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant; and the beasts of the field I have also given him to serve him.

So all nations shall serve him and his son and his son's son, until the time of his land comes; and then many nations and great kings shall make him serve them. [Jeremiah 27:1-7]

- ♦ Josiah was the last good king of Judah followed by Jehoahaz 3 months and **Jehoiakim** eleven years. [2 Kings 23:31, 33-34]
- ♦ The message came to Jeremiah in the beginning of the reign of Josiah's son Eliakim whose name was changed by Pharaoh Necho to Jehoiakim. [2 Kings 23:31-34]
- ♦ The message is to the kingdoms of **Edom**, **Moab**, **Ammon**. **Tyre**, and **Sidon**.
- ❖ It applies to the time of Zedekiah, the uncle of Jehoiachin, whom Nebuchadnezzar appointed king of Judah. [2 Kings 24:17-20, Jeremiah 27:3]
- ♦ The message is that; Yahweh, Who created the earth and all that is in it, has now given all these nations into the hand of His servant Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon both man and animal.
- ♦ The dominion of Babylon will continue until the time comes for Babylon to be punished.
- And it shall be, that the nation and kingdom which will not serve Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and which will not put its neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation I will punish,' says Yahweh (the Lord), 'with the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

Therefore **do not listen to your prophets**, your diviners, your dreamers, your soothsayers, or your sorcerers, who speak to you, saying, "You shall not serve the king of Babylon."

For they prophesy a lie to you, to remove you far from your land; and I will drive you out, and you will perish.

But the nations that bring their necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon and serve him, I

will let them remain in their own land,' says Yahweh (the Lord), 'and they shall till it and dwell in it."" [Jeremiah 27:8-11]

- ❖ Yahweh will punish by sword, famine, and pestilence any nation that will not serve the king of Babylon.
- ♦ Any prophet that declares "you shall not serve the king of Babylon" is speaking a lie which will result in your being removed far from your land, driven out by Yahweh, and you will perish.
- ❖ Those who submit to the king of Babylon will remain in their own land to till it and dwell in it.

## Message to Zedekiah and his people – Against False Prophets

- ▼ I also spoke to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, "Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live!

   Why will you die, you and your people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as Yahweh (the Lord) has spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

   [Jeremiah 27:12-13]
  - ♦ Jeremiah also spoke to Zedekiah and his people advising them to submit to the king of Babylon and live.
  - ♦ The question is, "Why will you die," when you are given a chance to obey and live.
  - → Yahweh has warned destruction by sword, famine, and pestilence for the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon.
- Therefore do not listen to the words of the prophets who speak to you, saying, 'You shall not serve the king of Babylon,' for **they prophesy a lie to you**; for I have not sent them," says Yahweh (the Lord), "yet they prophesy a lie in My name, that I may drive you out, and that you may perish, you and the prophets who prophesy to you." [Jeremiah 27:14-15]
  - → False prophets spring up everywhere with lying messages that will cause their followers to perish. They begin their message with the words "Thus says The Lord," yet Yahweh has not spoken to them nor sent them.
  - ♦ The followers of false prophets will perish along with their false prophets.
  - ♦ The same applies to Churches today who have false prophets bringing messages supposedly from the Lord when Yahweh has not spoken to them nor sent them.
- Also I spoke to the **priests** and to all this **people**, saying, "Thus says Yahweh (the Lord): 'Do not listen to the words of your prophets who prophesy to you, saying, "Behold, the vessels of Beit Yahweh (the Lord's house) will now shortly be brought back from Babylon"; for they prophesy a lie to you.

Do not listen to them; serve the king of Babylon, and live! Why should this city be laid waste?

But if they are prophets, and if the word of Yahweh (the Lord) is with them, let them now make intercession to Yahweh Tsebaaovt (the Lord of hosts), that the vessels which are left in Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord), in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, do not go to Babylon.' [Jeremiah 27:16-18]

- ♦ Jeremiah warned the Priests and people that the prophets declaring the soon return of the
  articles from the Temple that were carried away to Babylon are lies and the prophets are
  false prophets who should not be heard.
- ♦ So why rebel and cause the city to be laid waste?"
- ♦ If they serve the king of Babylon they will live.
- ♦ Jeremiah recommended that the prophets should be interceding that the vessels left in the Temple and the palace might not be carried away to Babylon.

- □ "For thus says Yahweh Tsebaaovt (the Lord of hosts) concerning the pillars, concerning the Sea, concerning the carts, and concerning the remainder of the vessels that remain in this city, which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon did not take, when he carried away captive Jeconiah (Jehoiachin, Coniah) the son of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem yes, thus says Yahweh Tsebaaovt Elohey Yisrael (the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel), concerning the vessels that remain in Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord), and in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem:
  - 'They shall be carried to Babylon, and there they shall be until the day that I visit them,' says the Lord. 'Then I will bring them up and restore them to this place.'" [Jeremiah 27:19-22]
  - ♦ Yahweh Tsebaaovt Elohey Yisrael said that all the vessels left in Beit Yahweh (The Lord's House), the house of the king, and in all Jerusalem will be carried to Babylon where they will remain until the time when Yahweh will bring them back and restore them to this place.
  - ♦ That will be after 70 years in captivity. [Jeremiah 25:11-12]