

L5 | Prophecy 103 | Israel's History of Curses Pt. 3 | Ezra 9:1-15

I. Intro/Review:

- We have seen Josiah, Daniel, Amos all referring back to the law, but specifically their discernment, understanding, and belief that they are experiencing their hardship because they are curses of punishment due to their disobedience to the law contract made with their fathers.
 - By the way, the law doesn't really have, when given great clarity on its end.
 - Rom. 7 until a man dies the law is in play
 - Moses cover up, and God progressive revelation of dealing with the law covenant
- The Curses have an outline
- The Curses get progressively worse (7 times more)
- The Curses are historically progressive (Israel's history)
- The Curses frame the nation's history and therefore biblically provide a foundation, a table of contents of that which Israel would find themselves in.

II. Preview:

- Outline of Leviticus 26 with the rest of scripture

III. Sermon:

- Portions of Scripture concerning the Courses of Punishment
 - **Charting Israel's Course**
 1. **:14-17** - Judges-1 Samuel 15
 - Interlude of Blessing - 1 Samuel 16-1 Kings 12
 2. **:18-20** - 1 Kings 12-22
 3. **:21-22** - 2 Kings 1-10:31
 4. **:23-26** - 2 Kings 10:32-16:20
 5. **:27-39** - 2 Kings 17:1-25:30
 - 1. **:14-17 - Judges-1 Samuel 15:35**
 - Judges 2:16-23 explains how to deal with Judges
 - spoilers
 - :19, "worsening" = worthy of 2nd Course
 - Judges 6:3-11 - (Lev. 26:17) - enemies
 - Markers
 - Ruth 1:1
 - 2 Samuel 7:11
 - 2 Kings 23:22

- Acts 13:20
- Samuel (the transition prophet from 1st to 2nd CoP)
 - Satan's own men in the tabernacle
 - 1 Samuel 7:4; 12:10
 - 1 Samuel 8:1-22
 - 1 Samuel 12:13-25 [:17] - rain during harvest
 - Ready for the 2nd Course of Punishment
 - Yet, an interlude of blessing

2. :18-20 - 1 Kings 12-22

- Arrived after the days of Solomon
 - Put nation back under a worthiness for the 2nd CoP
- 1 Kings 10:21-29 = Pride issue (:26, :28)
 - Deut. 17:14-20 - the very thing Solomon is doing isn't what he should be according to Deut. (Israel's history in advance)
- **1 Kings 11** = what brought Israel to the 2nd Course (started 1st Course again)
 - **:1-2** - Solomon goes after what they weren't to go after
 - Judges failed to destroy, intermeddled, marry them
 - **:5** - Judges 2:12-13 = "followed other gods (Ashtoreth)" - sexual (playing at Mt. Sinai)
 - Ashtoreth - read Greek mythology book - "Putnam's Concise Mythological Dictionary" - pg. 21 (see Ashtart - pg. 21)
 - Proverbs 5:1-6
 - Acts 19:24 - Diana
 - **:4-8** - all happening in Jerusalem
 - Solomon building temples
 - :7 = BEFORE JERUSALEM (exalted above, you see it FIRST)
 - :8 = wouldn't even recognize the house of the Lord
 - **:9** - "angry" (haven't heard for 100 years)
 - :9-10 - Following Lords comes and warns twice about this
 - **:11-13** - Lord's response (1st & 2nd CoP)
 - **Lev. 26:19-20** = Break Pride of Power = REND
 - **Rend** = To separate any substance into parts with force or sudden violence; to tear asunder; to split (Matt. 26:65)

- :13 = Solomon deserves it, but 2nd CoP doesn't come when he is alive
 - :14-33 = Lord stirring up adversaries
 - **1 Kings 12:(13)22-33 = 1) Break Pride of Power,**
 - Lev. 26:18-20 = gov't didn't have arrogance when written, but knew they would
 - Deut. 17:20 = "lifted up"
 - **1 Kings 8:1, 33-40ff; 17:1 = 2) Change Climatic Conditions**
 - James 5:17-18
 - Rev. 11:6
 - Luke 4:25-26
3. **:21-22 - 2 Kings 1-10:31**
- **3rd CoP - 2 Kings 1** (special way 3rd CoP is introduced)
 - Elijah off scene and Elisha comes on the scene
 - **2 Kings 2:1-4 = Read**
 - :1 - Gilgal
 - :2 - Bethel
 - :4 - Jericho
 - :6 - Jordan
 - :8 - smote the waters and they were divided
 - Preparation to WALK CONTRARY to Israel, because they are walking contrary toward Him - Lev. 26:21
 - :14 - Elisha smotes the waters - God with Elisha
 - :23 - little children - mocked him (disobedient children are an indicator of the nation)
 - :24 - "in the name of the LORD" - Lev. 26:22
 - **Leviticus 26:21 & 23**
 - 3rd CoP - Elijah and Elisha preparations for walking contrary
 - 4th CoP - Walking Contrary
 - 5th CoP - Walking Contrary in Fury
 - **2 Kings 2:1**
 - Prophet of 2nd C going to be alternated
 - Has Elijah leave the land in the reverse from how He entered the land with Joshua (Josh. 3:8, 5:10, 13 - Jordan, Gilgal, Jericho)
 - :1-8 - Elijah Leaves
 - :14 - 3rd CoP prophet has entered the land
 - :23-25 - produced the curse
 - Leviticus 26:22
 - Elisha's miracles and double portion

- Israel continues to do evil
- Position for 4th CoP
- 2 Kings 8:1 - famine 7 years
- 2 Kings 10:18 - progression of devolution, worseness, and fall
 - :31 = Action that puts the nation in position of 4th CoP
- 2 Kings 10:32 - "in those days the LORD began to cut Israel short" - Lev. 26:22

4. :23-26 - 2 Kings 10:32-16:20

- 2 Kings 10:32 - "in those days the LORD began to cut Israel short"
 - 10:32 = Lev. 26:23-26
 - 2 Kings 13:22-23 - ejects His mercy again
 - Gives a chance many times because on brink of 5th CoP
 - :23 = what the 5th CoP calls for "cast from presence"
 - Kick them out of the land
 - Num. 33:53 - dispossess (Gen. 15:16 - iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.)
- 2 Kings 16:1-4 = they merited the 5th CoP, the King of Assyria raised up

5. :27-39 - 2 Kings 17:1-25:30

- Arrival of 5th CoP
- :1-6 = short summation of NK going into captivity
- :7-23 = review of worthiness of curses of the law
 - By end of chapter 17 5th CoP is fully underway
 - Lev. 26:27-46
 - Walk contrary in fury
 - Enemies tear down walls/make cities waste/dwell & take possession in totality/desolation
- **Isaiah - Malachi**
 - Scope of 5th CoP
 - Captivity in 5th installment and 5 total
- :17 = sold themselves
- :19 = SK
- :20-23 = all seed
- **2 Kings 21:10-16** = S. Kingdoms worthiness of 5th CoP
- **2 Kings 22:1** - King Josiah
- **2 Kings 23:26** = "notwithstanding" = Josiah - didn't change anything w/what happened under Manasseh
 - Wrath = walk contrary in fury
- **2 Kings 24:1-4** - no more mercy
 - Arrival of 5th CoP
- **2 Kings 25** = 5th CoP underway
 - :1-3 = famine - Lev. 26:29,
 - 1st Installment for Sabbath rest for land

- 2 Chr. 36:20-21
 - Jeremiah (70 years) - Jer. 25:11-12, 29:10
 - Isa. - Mal., Matt. - Acts, Heb. - Rev.
 - **Jeremiah 25:1-11**
 - :12 = punishment up
 - :13 = indicator for more nations
 - :14 - many nations shall serve themselves of them also
 - :15 - "take the wine cup of this fury at my hand"
 - Times of Gentiles (Luke 21:24)
 - Daniel 2
 - Daniel 9

IV. Conclusion: