

Prophecy

This tract has been created to introduce those who are searching for truth set forth in God's word. This tract is not based on the traditions of men and pagan religions.

As children of God, we must look for truth in what the scriptures teach us on prophecy. This booklet is going to take you through a series of prophecies that have been fulfilled and proven through our own history books. The first prophecy we are going to look at is the prophecy of Babylon. We are told that Babylon would be destroyed and would never be inhabited again.

Jeremiah 50:35, 39

Verse 35 A sword is upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise men.

Verse 39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

Isaiah 13:19-20

Verse 19 And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

Verse 20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

Jeremiah prophesied between the years 626 - 587 BC and Isaiah prophesied between the years 742 - 687 BC. Babylon was destroyed in 539 BC, at least fifty years after Jeremiah. Babylon was lost for a long period of time and only was found again in 1817. For the last 200 years there have been attempts at the reconstruction of Babylon; but to this day none have been successful, and Babylon has not been inhabited. Just as the Bible has prophesied a little over twenty-five hundred years ago, being one of the longest active prophecies.

The next prophecy we are going to look at is the destruction of Tyre. Now what is unique about this one is it is a two-part prophecy involving two different time frames.

Ezekiel 26:7

Verse 7 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

Ezekiel was written in 593 BC and prophesied Nebuchadnezzar and his attack on the city of Tyre. This attack happened around 580 BC, not long after but still after. During Nebuchadnezzar's war against Tyre, that lasted thirteen years, he destroyed the city. Tyrians fled to an isle offshore and rebuilt their city there. This city was extremely impenetrable because of its high walls and being surrounded by water. Ezekiel's prophecy was completed when Alexander the Great came to Tyre years later and used the ruins of old Tyre to build a causeway across to Tyre to destroy it. Literally laying the city in the midst of the water.

Ezekiel 26:12-14

Verse 12 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

Verse 13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.

Verse 14 And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be a place to spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

Zachariah 9:3, 4

Verse 3 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.

Verse 4 Behold, the Lord will cast her out, and he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.

Zachariah was written in 520 BC and is prophesying about Alexander and his attack on the city of Tyre, this attack happened in 332 BC. Zachariah also talks about God protecting Israel from Alexander by surrounding Jerusalem.

Zachariah 9:8

Verse 8 And I will encamp about mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth by, and

because of him that returneth: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.

Then there is the prophecy of Jericho that was written 1431 BC, and it was destroyed in 1400 BC. The story takes place in the spring which lines up with historical findings. When the city was found its grain houses were still reserved and full. Proving that the destruction was in the spring.

Joshua 5:10

Verse 10 And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

One of the newest fulfilled prophecies today is the one of the Jews returning to their homeland Israel.

Ezekiel 28:25, 26

Verse 25 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.

Verse 26 And they shall dwell safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God.

Ezekiel 36:24

Verse 24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

Amos 9:14

Verse 14 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

Both books were written long before Jesus, which makes His writings more than 2000 years old. The Jews returned to their homeland in 1948. This prophecy was fulfilled in our generation, there are people still alive today that witnessed this prophecy happening. What makes this so unique is that it comes with a promise that puts God's word on the line. Gods promise is that they will never be removed again until the return of Jesus. Which makes this an ongoing prophecy that we can look to for strength in our faith. No matter what happens in the middle east Israel will not be removed.

Amos 9:15

Verse 15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.

These are just a handful of prophecies we pulled from the Bible to prove that our God has put his word on the line throughout time. Name any other god that has done that and been one hundred percent accurate. Prophecies are important for strengthening our belief and faith in our Lord especially in these times of disbelief. May we look to the prophecy of the return of our Lord and saviour, for it will be a glorious day.

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