

Ezekiel 15:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And I will set my face against them; they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall devour them; and ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.

Analysis

The phrase 'they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall devour them' indicates that escaping the first judgment (597 BC deportation) wouldn't save them from final destruction (586 BC). Each judgment is meant to reveal the LORD's character and sovereignty. The covenant formula 'ye shall know that I am the LORD' appears over 60 times in Ezekiel.

Historical Context

Those who remained in Jerusalem after 597 BC believed themselves spared by God's favor. Instead, they faced worse judgment in 586 BC—starvation, cannibalism (Lamentations 4:10), and complete destruction.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How do you respond when God's discipline escalates due to continued disobedience?

2. What is God teaching you about His character through current trials or judgments in your life?

Interlinear Text

וְנִתַּתִּי י	אֶת	פָּנַי י	בְּהֵם	וְהָאֵשׁ		
And I will set	H853	my face	H0	and another fire		
H5414		H6440		H784		
וְצֵא אֹו		וְהָאֵשׁ	תִּאָכְלֵם	וַיֵּדְעוּם		
against them they shall go out		and another fire	shall devour	them and ye shall know		
H3318		H784	H398	H3045		
כִּי	אֲנִי י	יְהוָה ה	בְּשׁוּמִי י	אֶת	פָּנַי י	בְּהֵם:
H3588	H589	that I am the LORD	when I set	H853	my face	H0
		H3068	H7760		H6440	

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 14:8 (References Lord): And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Isaiah 24:18 (Parallel theme): And it shall come to pass, that he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.

Psalms 34:16 (References Lord): The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

Jeremiah 21:10 (References Lord): For I have set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.

Ezekiel 6:7 (References Lord): And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

1 Kings 19:17 (Parallel theme): And it shall come to pass, that him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay.

Leviticus 26:17 (Parallel theme): And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you.

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