

# Ezekiel 22

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## The Sins of Jerusalem

**1** Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

**2** Now, thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations.

**3** Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD, The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.

**4** Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.

**5** Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock thee, which art infamous and much vexed.

**6** Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their power to shed blood.

**7** In thee have they set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they dealt by oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.

**8** Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.

**9** In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.

**10** In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.

**11** And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

**12** In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.

**13** Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

**14** Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee? I the LORD have spoken it, and will do it.

**15** And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

**16** And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

**17** And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

**18** Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver.

**19** Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

**20** As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt it; so will I gather you in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave you there, and melt you.

**21** Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

**22** As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.

**23** And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

**24** Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

**25** There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

**26** Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

**27** Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

**28** And her prophets have daubed them with untempered morter, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

**29** The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.

**30** And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

**31** Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

### Blood — דם (Dam)

Blood

The Hebrew **dam** (דָם) means blood—representing life itself. 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), and blood was required for atonement, foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice.

### Holy — קדש (Qadosh)

Holy, set apart

The Hebrew **qadosh** (קָדוֹשׁ) means holy or set apart—separated from common use for God's purposes. God is 'the Holy One of Israel,' utterly distinct from creation in moral perfection.

### Law — תּוֹרָה (Torah)

Law, instruction

The Hebrew **Torah** (תּוֹרָה) means law or instruction—God's revealed will for His people. The Law includes moral, civil, and ceremonial commandments, revealing God's character and humanity's need for a Savior.

### Lord — הָנָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהֹוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

### Prophet — נָבִיא (Navi)

Prophet, spokesman

The Hebrew **navi** (נָבִיא) means prophet—one who speaks God's word to the people. Prophets received divine revelation and declared God's message, often calling Israel to repentance and foretelling future events.

### Word — דְבָר (Davar)

Word, thing, matter

The Hebrew **davar** (דְבָר) means word, thing, or matter—God's creative and authoritative speech. 'By the word of the LORD were the heavens made' (Psalm 33:6).

## CROSS REFERENCES

**Ezekiel 22:2** **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 58:1; Acts 7:52; 1 Timothy 5:20. **Blood:** Ezekiel 24:6; 24:9; 2 Kings 21:16; Hosea 4:2; Nahum 3:1; Matthew 27:25. **Judgment:** Ezekiel 20:4

**Ezekiel 22:3** **Blood:** Ezekiel 22:27

**Ezekiel 22:4** **Creation:** 2 Kings 21:16. **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 16:57. **Blood:** Ezekiel 22:2

**Ezekiel 22:6** **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 1:23. **Blood:** Ezekiel 22:27

**Ezekiel 22:7** **Light:** Deuteronomy 27:16. **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 20:9; Jeremiah 7:6; Zechariah 7:10; Malachi 3:5

**Ezekiel 22:8** **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 20:13; 20:21; 20:24; Leviticus 19:30; Malachi 1:12. **Holy:** Ezekiel 22:26

**Ezekiel 22:9** **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 16:43; 18:6; 18:11; Hosea 4:10; 4:14. **Blood:** Leviticus 19:16; Hosea 4:2

**Ezekiel 22:10** **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 18:6; Leviticus 18:19; 20:11

**Ezekiel 22:11** **Word:** Leviticus 18:15; 20:12. **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 18:11; Leviticus 18:9; 18:20; 20:17; 2 Samuel 13:14

**Ezekiel 22:12** **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 18:8; Deuteronomy 16:19; 23:19; 27:25; Psalms 15:5; Jeremiah 2:32. **References God:** Ezekiel 23:35; Psalms 106:21. **Blood:** Ezekiel 18:13

**Ezekiel 22:13** **Blood:** Ezekiel 22:27; Isaiah 33:15. **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 21:14; 21:17

**Ezekiel 22:14** **References Lord:** Ezekiel 17:24; 21:7; 24:14

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**Ezekiel 22:18** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 119:119; Proverbs 17:3; Isaiah 1:22; 48:10

**Ezekiel 22:22** **References Lord:** Ezekiel 20:33. **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 20:8; Hosea 5:10

**Ezekiel 22:24** **Parallel theme:** 2 Chronicles 28:22; Isaiah 1:5; 9:13; Jeremiah 2:30

**Ezekiel 22:25** **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 13:19; Jeremiah 2:34; 11:9; Hosea 6:9

**Ezekiel 22:26**

**Holy:** Ezekiel 22:8; 36:20; 44:23; Leviticus 10:10. **Word:** Jeremiah 2:8; Malachi 2:8. **Parallel theme:** 1 Samuel 2:22

**Ezekiel 22:27** **Blood:** Ezekiel 22:6; 22:13. **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 1:23

## Ezekiel 22:29

**Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 22:7; Exodus 22:21; 23:9; Leviticus 19:33; Psalms 94:6; Isaiah 5:7; 10:2; Jeremiah 5:31; Amos 3:10

## Ezekiel 22:30

**Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 13:5; Psalms 106:23; Isaiah 59:16; 63:5; Jeremiah 5:1; 15:1

## Ezekiel 22:31    References God: Ezekiel 16:43. **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 9:10. **Judgment:** Ezekiel 7:3

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