

# Ezekiel 24:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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**"Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum is therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it."** "Bloody city" (ir ha-damim, עִיר הַדָּמִים) indicts Jerusalem's violence. "Scum" (chel'ah, חֶלְאָה) represents corruption that won't depart despite heating (judgment). "Piece by piece" depicts methodical, comprehensive destruction—everyone systematically removed. "Let no lot fall" means no chance selection; all are taken—comprehensive judgment sparing none.

## Historical Context

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Jerusalem's "scum" (corruption) persisted despite previous warnings and partial judgments. When Babylon conquered, systematic deportation occurred—leaders first (597 BC), then general population (586 BC), finally even remaining poor (Jeremiah 52:15-16, 30). The piece-by-piece removal fulfilled the parable precisely—methodical, comprehensive exile leaving the land desolate.

## Related Passages

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**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others



**Ezekiel 22:27** (Blood): Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

**2 Kings 24:4** (Blood): And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which the LORD would not pardon.

**Micah 7:2** (Blood): The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

**Obadiah 1:11** (Parallel theme): In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them.

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