

Ezekiel 25:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Son of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;

Analysis

Ammon, descended from Lot's incestuous union (Genesis 19:38), maintained hostile relations with Israel throughout history. 'Set thy face against' signifies declarative judgment. Prophets didn't merely predict the future—their words participated in divine judgment's execution. The spoken word of God accomplishes His purposes (Isaiah 55:11).

Historical Context

The Ammonites occupied territory east of the Jordan River, in modern-day Jordan near present-day Amman (named after ancient Ammon). They frequently raided Israel and rejoiced at Judah's fall.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How should you respond to those who rejoice at believers' suffering or the church's trials?
2. What does God's judgment of Ammon teach about His protection of His people even during discipline?

Interlinear Text

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Son	of man	set	thy face	H413	Son	H5983	and prophesy	H5921
H1121	H120	H7760	H6440		H1121		H5012	

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 6:2 (Prophecy): Son of man, set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,