

# Ezekiel 25:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Behold, therefore I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

## Analysis

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God's 'stretched out hand' symbolizes active judgment (Exodus 7:5, Isaiah 5:25). The complete destruction promised—'perish,' 'cut off,' 'destroy'—uses three different Hebrew terms emphasizing totality. Ammon would cease to exist as a distinct people. Historical extinction of peoples who opposed God's redemptive plan demonstrates that human kingdoms are temporary, but God's kingdom is eternal.

## Historical Context

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The Ammonites gradually disappeared from history after Persian period, absorbed by Arab tribes. By New Testament times, no distinct Ammonite nation existed, fulfilling this prophecy completely.

## Related Passages

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**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. How does the temporary nature of earthly kingdoms contrast with the eternal nature of God's kingdom?
2. What confidence does this give you that opposition to Christ's church will ultimately fail?

## Interlinear Text

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לִּי H3651	הִנְנִי H2005	נָטַי יְתִי H5186	אֶת H853	יָדִי H3027	עַל יְרֻ H5921
		Behold therefore I will stretch out		mine hand	
	וְנָתַתִּי יְרֻ H5414	לְבַב H897	לְגוֹיִם H1471	וְהִכָּתֵתִי יְרֻ H3772	מִן H4480
	upon thee and will deliver	to the heathen	and I will cut thee off		
מִן H5971	הָעָם יִם H5971	וְהִאַבְדֹתִי יְרֻ H6	מִן H4480	הָאֲרָצוֹת H776	
	from the people	and I will cause thee to perish	out of the countries		
אֲשָׁמֵ יִדְךָ H8045	וְיָדַעְתָּ H3045	כִּי H3588	אֲנִי H589	יְהוָה H3068	
I will destroy	thee and thou shalt know			that I am the LORD	

## Additional Cross-References

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**Zephaniah 1:4** (Parallel theme): I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Chemarims with the priests;

**Ezekiel 25:13** (References Lord): Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also stretch out mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; and they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

**Ezekiel 25:16** (References Lord): Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethims, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast.

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