

# Ezekiel 26:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.

## Analysis

And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers predicts military conquest. I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock uses striking imagery—God will scrape Tyre clean like scraping barnacles off a rock, leaving bare stone. This prophecy was fulfilled when Alexander used Tyre's mainland rubble to build his causeway to the island, literally scraping the site clean. Archaeological excavations show the mainland site was indeed scraped to bedrock, exactly as prophesied. Prophetic precision demonstrates supernatural foreknowledge—details fulfilled centuries later could only come from God.

## Historical Context

When Alexander besieged island Tyre (332 BC), he constructed a massive causeway using rubble from mainland Tyre, which Nebuchadnezzar had destroyed. His engineers scraped the mainland site to bedrock gathering material, fulfilling Ezekiel's prophecy given 250+ years earlier. The causeway turned the island into a peninsula, still visible today.

## Related Passages

**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## Study Questions

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1. How does precise prophetic fulfillment authenticate Scripture's divine origin?
2. What does it mean that God will leave Tyre like 'bare rock'?
3. How should fulfilled prophecy affect our confidence in unfulfilled prophecies?

## Interlinear Text

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מִגְדָּל יְהֻנָּה וְשִׁקְתָּה וְ	צָר חַמּוֹת	וּבְרָסָוּ	מִגְדָּל יְהֻנָּה וְשִׁקְתָּה וְ
And they shall destroy	the walls	of Tyrus	and break down
H7843	H2346	H6865	H2040
her towers			H4026
אָוֶת הַ	מִמְּבָה עַפְּבָה	וְגַתְתָּה וְ	אָוֶת הַ
I will also scrape	her dust	from her and make	
H5500	H6083	H4480	H5414
her like the top	of a rock		H853
H6706	H5553		
סָלָע:	לֹאֵת יְמִ		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Isaiah 23:11** (Parallel theme): He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms: the LORD hath given a commandment against the merchant city, to destroy the strong holds thereof.

**Amos 1:10** (Parallel theme): But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.

**Ezekiel 26:9** (Parallel theme): And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.