

Ezekiel 29:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

In the tenth year, in the tenth month, in the twelfth day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Analysis

The precise dating formula ('tenth year, tenth month, twelfth day') establishes prophetic credibility and historical specificity. This oracle came in January 587 BC, during Jerusalem's final siege. Egypt's political role made her a false refuge for Judah—trusting Egypt rather than God exemplified covenant unfaithfulness. This prophecy reveals that all false securities face divine judgment.

Historical Context

Pharaoh Hophra (589-570 BC) briefly interrupted Jerusalem's siege, causing Babylon to temporarily withdraw. This led Jerusalem's leaders to believe Egypt would deliver them, ignoring Jeremiah's warnings. Babylon soon resumed the siege, leading to Jerusalem's fall in 586 BC.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. What false securities or 'Egypts' are you tempted to trust instead of God?

2. How does God's judgment of false hopes serve as merciful correction to redirect trust toward Him?

Interlinear Text

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 26:1 (Word): And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Ezekiel 29:17 (Word): And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first month, in the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Ezekiel 20:1 (References Lord): And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month, that certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me.

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