

# Ezekiel 30:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of No.

## Analysis

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**And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt**—סִן (Sîn, Pelusium), Egypt's eastern fortress city guarding against Asian invasion. חָמָתִי (hāmātî, 'my wrath') would be poured out (שָׁפַח, shâphak) on מצְרָיִם תִּיעַגְתָּ (mâ'ôz mišrayim, 'the stronghold of Egypt').

**And I will cut off the multitude of No**—Thebes' גָּמָן (hāmôn, 'multitude/wealth/population') would be cut off (קָרַת, kārat, 'cut/destroy'). This verb often describes covenant-breaking consequences—fitting for Egypt, which opposed God's covenant people. Sin (Pelusium) was Egypt's defensive strength; No (Thebes) was her religious and cultural strength. God promises to destroy both military might and cultural glory, leaving Egypt powerless and identity-less.

## Historical Context

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Pelusium's strategic location at Egypt's northeastern frontier made it vital for defense. It fell to foreign powers repeatedly: Persians (525 BC), Greeks, Romans. Thebes' decline after the 6th century BC was permanent; today it's archaeological ruins (Luxor/Karnak). The simultaneous destruction of military strongholds and cultural centers fulfilled Ezekiel's comprehensive judgment oracle.

## Related Passages

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## Study Questions

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1. Why does God target both military strength (Sin) and cultural glory (Thebes)?
2. What does judgment on Egypt's 'stronghold' teach about the futility of trusting fortifications?
3. How does targeting specific strategic cities demonstrate detailed prophetic knowledge?

## Interlinear Text

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וְהִכְנַתִּי מִצְבַּת יְמִינֵךְ עַל חַמְתִּי וְשִׁפְכָתִי  
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