

Ezekiel 32:26

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

There is Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graves are round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though they caused their terror in the land of the living.

Analysis

There is Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude continues cataloging fallen nations in Sheol. Her graves are round about him describes burial. All of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword repeats their fate. Though they caused their terror in the land of the living notes past power. Meshech and Tubal were regions in Asia Minor (modern Turkey), representing distant northern powers. Even remote nations don't escape divine judgment. Geographic distance provides no protection. God's sovereignty extends globally; His justice is universal. No nation is too remote, too powerful, or too secure to escape accountability. All must answer to the Creator.

Historical Context

Meshech and Tubal (Ezekiel 38:2-3; 39:1) were northern tribal groups later absorbed into various empires. Their inclusion demonstrates judgment's comprehensive scope—not just major powers but also minor kingdoms. Every nation, regardless of size or location, faces divine accountability. Geography doesn't exempt anyone from justice.

Related Passages

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. What makes us think distance or remoteness protects from judgment?
2. How does universal jurisdiction demonstrate God's comprehensive sovereignty?
3. What nations today assume they're beyond divine accountability?

Interlinear Text

וְשֵׁם מֵשֶׁכֶת וְתָבֵל וְכָל בָּמָנוֹן הָרָקִיבָּה סְבִיבוֹת יְהוָה
H8033 There is Meshech H4902 Tubal H3605 and all her multitude are round about H5439

מֵתָּה קְבָרוֹת יְהוָה מִן לְלִי עֲרָלִים שְׁלָמִים כִּי בְּבָבָרְתָּה
H6913 her graves H3605 him all of them uncircumcised H6189 slain H2719 by the sword H3588

מִים בָּאָרֶץ חַטִּית מִנְתַּן וְ
though they caused their terror in the land of the living H2416 H776 H2851 H5414

Additional Cross-References

Ezekiel 27:13 (Parallel theme): Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were thy merchants: they traded the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy market.

Genesis 10:2 (Parallel theme): The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

Ezekiel 39:1 (Parallel theme): Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

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