

Ezekiel 32:8

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

Analysis

God Himself would 'darken all the bright lights' and 'set darkness upon thy land.' This directly attributes cosmic disturbances to divine action. The covenant formula emphasizes divine authority. When God judges, creation itself responds. The natural order serves redemptive purposes, revealing that nothing exists independently of God's sovereign control.

Historical Context

This language recalls the ninth plague on Egypt—darkness covering the land (Exodus 10:21-23). The parallel demonstrates God's consistency and Egypt's failure to learn from history. Repeated patterns reveal persistent problems.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does God's control over creation as well as history assure His ultimate victory?

2. What does it mean that 'the earth is the LORD's' (Psalm 24:1) and serves His redemptive purposes?

Interlinear Text

כָּל	כָּא וְרִי	אֹר	בְּשָׁמַיִם	אֶקְדִּירֶם	עַל יָד	
H3605	All the bright	lights	of heaven	will I make dark	H5921	
	H3974	H216	H8064	H6937		
	וְנָתַתִּי	חֹשֶׁךְ	עַל	אֶרֶץ	נָא	אֲדַנִּי יְהוָה:
	over thee and set	darkness	H5921	upon thy land	saith	the Lord GOD
	H5414	H2822		H776	H5002	H136 H3069

Additional Cross-References

Genesis 1:14 (Light): And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: