

Ezekiel 7:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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The triple repetition of "come" (ba, בא) creates relentless drumbeat emphasizing inevitability. "It watcheth for thee" (heqitz elayich, הֵקִיץ עֵלַיִךְ) uses verb meaning "awaken" or "rouse"—the end awakens like predator stirring to attack prey. This personifies judgment as living force actively pursuing its target. The final "behold, it is come" removes all distance between threat and fulfillment—what was future became present, what seemed impossible is now undeniable reality.

Historical Context

The awakening imagery proves tragically appropriate. For years, judgment slept while prophets warned and people ignored. But in 589 BC, Babylon's armies besieged Jerusalem, and the dormant threat awakened to terrible activity. The siege lasted 18 months, confirming that the end had indeed come. No last-minute deliverance occurred; no prophetic reversal saved the city. The end that 'watched' and 'awakened' consumed Jerusalem completely, validating every prophetic warning the people had dismissed.

Related Passages

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does judgment 'awakening' challenge presumption that delayed judgment is canceled judgment?
2. What warnings in your life may be 'watching' or 'awakening' that you've been ignoring?
3. How should the certainty of prophetic fulfillment shape our response to biblical warnings?

Interlinear Text

כֵּן יֵאָדָה	בְּאֵהָ:	בְּאֵהָ:	כֵּן יֵאָדָה	כֵּן יֵאָדָה
An end	for thee behold it is come	for thee behold it is come	An end	it watcheth
H7093	H935	H935	H7093	H6974
אֵל יִרְ	הֵן ה	בְּאֵהָ:		
H413	H2009	for thee behold it is come		
		H935		

Additional Cross-References

Zechariah 13:7 (Parallel theme): Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.

2 Peter 2:5 (Parallel theme): And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

Jeremiah 44:27 (Parallel theme): Behold, I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that are in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.

Ezekiel 7:10 (Parallel theme): Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

Ezekiel 21:25 (Parallel theme): And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end,

Ezekiel 39:8 (Parallel theme): Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this is the day whereof I have spoken.

Ezekiel 7:3 (Parallel theme): Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

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