

Jeremiah 11:23

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation.

Analysis

This verse completes Anathoth's judgment: 'And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation.' 'No remnant' (she'erith) indicates total elimination—no survivors to continue the community. 'Year of their visitation' (shenath pequddatham) is the appointed time of divine reckoning. The destruction would be complete, fulfilling their desire to eliminate Jeremiah completely but applied to themselves instead. The same terminology they used ('cut off from the land of the living') becomes their own fate.

Historical Context

The ironic reversal—those who sought to eliminate Jeremiah are eliminated—demonstrates divine justice's precision. Anathoth's destruction during the Babylonian conquest fulfilled this prophecy. Later tradition suggests few if any Anathothites returned from exile to reclaim their town. The phrase 'year of their visitation' marks God's calendared judgment.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does the reversal of Anathoth's plot against Jeremiah demonstrate poetic divine justice?
2. What warning does this judgment offer to those who oppose God's messengers?

Interlinear Text

וְשָׂאֵר יֵת	כִּי לֹא יִהְיֶה	לָהֶם	שָׁנָה	עֲנֹת וְ	אֶל כָּעֵה	אֲנִי יְ	אָבִי
And there shall be no remnant				of Anathoth	evil		of them for I will bring
H7611	H3808	H1961	H0	H3588		H413	H376
				H6068	H8141		H935
פְּקֻדָּתָם:							
of their visitation							
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Additional Cross-References

Jeremiah 23:12 (Evil): Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

Luke 19:44 (Parallel theme): And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

Hosea 9:7 (Parallel theme): The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are come; Israel shall know it: the prophet is a fool, the spiritual man is mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.

Micah 7:4 (Parallel theme): The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

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