

Jeremiah 43:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.

Analysis

God declares He will bring Nebuchadnezzar to Egypt - the very place the remnant fled to escape him. This fulfills the warning that they would face in Egypt what they feared in Judah (42:16). God calls Nebuchadnezzar 'my servant,' showing even pagan rulers serve His purposes. You cannot flee from God's will; disobedience brings you to what you most feared.

Historical Context

This prophecy was fulfilled when Nebuchadnezzar invaded Egypt in 568 BC. The Jewish refugees who fled there seeking safety found the destruction they hoped to escape.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. How does attempting to escape God's will often lead to encountering what you feared?
2. What does God's sovereignty over all nations teach about the futility of fleeing from Him?

Interlinear Text

וְשָׁבָא לְאֱלֹהִים אֱלֹהִים אֲלֵיכָהּ וְאָמַר	And say	H413	וְקָהַל הָאָמֵר	And say	H3541	וְיְהִי הַאָמֵר	the LORD	H559	וְאָמַר וְאָמַר	the God of hosts	H3068	וְאָמַר וְאָמַר	the God of Israel	H6635
הָנָנוּ		H559	שְׁלַח		H3477	לְקַחְתִּי		H853	אַתָּה	נְבוּכָדְרָאצָר	H5019	מֶלֶךְ		H430
וְנִבְאַרְתָּה	Behold I will send	H2005	וְנִבְאַרְתָּה	and take	H7971	וְנִבְאַרְתָּה		H3947	וְנִבְאַרְתָּה	Nebuchadrezzar	H4428	וְנִבְאַרְתָּה	the king	H3478
בָּבֶל		H894	מִמְּעָל		H428	לְאַבֵּן		H68	כִּסְאָה	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	H3678	לְאַבֵּן	יְמִינְמִי	H4605
בָּבֶל	my servant	H5650	מִמְּעָל	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	H7760	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	H853	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	H853	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	וְנִשְׁמַתְתִּי	H8237
אֲשֶׁר	that I have hid	H834	וְאֶת	וְאֶת	H2934	וְאֶת	וְאֶת	H5186	וְאֶת	וְאֶת	H853	וְאֶת	וְאֶת	H5921

Additional Cross-References

Jeremiah 1:15 (Kingdom): For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.

Psalms 31:20 (Parallel theme): Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

Psalms 18:11 (Parallel theme): He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

Psalms 27:5 (Parallel theme): For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

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