

Part 2, Week Five - The Fifth and Sixth Signs to the Whole House of Israel – Ezekiel 12 - 13

Day 1-Sign: Ezekiel to Prepare Baggage for Exile

Last week I had you look at Ezekiel 10 and 11 a little differently than the way you had viewed chapters 1-9 beforehand. I want to do something similar this week, but after reading chapters 12 and 13, you will briefly review chapters 4 and 5 only. Remember the four one act plays: *A Brick*, *Laying on the Right & Left Sides*, *Meager Rations*, and *Some Hair*?

1. Please start your study with at least 10 minutes of concentrated prayer for God to really open up this section of Scripture for you personally.
2. Now, just read Ezekiel 12 and 13, beginning with 11:24.
3. Now, after you have read Ezekiel 12 and 13, go back and read it word for word. Slow your reading down enough so that you are picking up the details as you go. Be on the alert for key words that we have already identified in the other weeks of study. However, do not mark them at this time.
4. Now, after you have read through Ezekiel 12 and 13, slowly and with discernment, read Ezekiel 4 and 5 only. As you read through both of these chapters, identify the four signs God has already requested of Ezekiel to perform before the people.

What are these first four signs? Do the first three signs somewhat go together and the fourth sign stands separately from the other three?

5. After reading chapters 4 and 5, read chapters 12 and 13 again. Be on the lookout for the fifth sign.

What is the fifth sign Ezekiel is to act out before the people?

Days 2-4 –Ezekiel 12 and 13

Please work on your worksheets for chapters 12 and 13 over the next three days and pace yourself accordingly.

Ezekiel 12 – the Fifth Sign: Baggage for the Next Group of Exiles

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 12:

all references to God as before, including “Lord,” “LORD,” “Lord GOD,” “I am the LORD” with the same marking
Also mark “Lord GOD,” as “Sovereign Lord”

all references to Israel or “house of Israel,” or “the house of Judah,” as before including
“rebellious house,” “people of the land,” “the inhabitants of Jerusalem in the land
of Israel,” “you *people*”
“the prince in Jerusalem” and “the prince who is among them” and all pronouns as one
marking
mark “the Remnant” as before including all references to them, i.e., “a few of them”
all references to Ezekiel as before, including “Son of man”
all references to “abominations,” as before
the phrase “in their sight”
the phrase: “Thus says the Lord GOD,” as before; include “I the LORD shall speak,” “I
speak,” “declares the Lord GOD,” as one marking
the phrase: “the word of the LORD came to me saying,” as before
the phrase: “so they will know that I am the LORD,” and “they...may know that I am the
Lord,” and “so you will know that I am the LORD,” as the same marking
“vision(s)” as before
Jerusalem” as before
“eye(s),” or “see,” “sight” with the same marking
“sign” as before in chapter 4
“Babylon,” as before
“exile,” “captivity,” as one marking

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e.
“then,” “now”

Mark all references to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the
double-spaced worksheet.

Why is the “therefore” there in 12:2 and 12:23? What statement precedes the “therefore”
which gives the reader understanding?

For example, in 12:2, the rebellious house has eyes and ears but they have not seen or
heard God’s message through the audio/visual sermons already performed for them by
Ezekiel. Therefore, God will try this time to get their attention with another visual
sermon; perhaps this time they will understand.

Now, it’s your turn for Ezekiel 12:23.

Ezekiel is giving these sermons to which people? To those people who are in Babylon,
already deported or those still in Jerusalem or both?

Do you think Israel’s blindness and deafness were willful on their part or did they not
have the necessary understanding or intelligence to receive God’s messages?

Do you think being blind and deaf to God's messages are indications of Israel's disobedience or disbelief?

How does the Lord describe the Israelites in 12:1?

Have you seen God use this description of the Israelites in another section of Ezekiel that we've already studied? Please check out Ezekiel chapters 2 and 3. What's the BIG word on the Israelites?

God used similar language to define their "rebellious" nature in chapters 2 and 3. How were these descriptions of "rebellious" different from those in chapter 12? What method of communication has also failed at this point in time, in chapter 12, other than "hearing?"

What were the steps God asked Ezekiel to take in this fifth sign? Make a list of steps in the margin of your double-spaced worksheet for Ezekiel 12 and also record below; I will start this for you and then you complete it:

1. prepare for yourself baggage for exile
2. go into exile by day in their sight
3. even go into exile from your place to another place in their sight
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

What understanding do you think God was trying to give to the Jews by having Ezekiel bring his baggage out by day and also by night?

Do you think the people in exile already could identify with Ezekiel's steps portraying the preparation of those still in Jerusalem for exile? Why?

What point was God trying to help Ezekiel understand when He said, "Perhaps they will understand though they are a rebellious house," in 12:3? Remember here that God had already tried to get to the Jews through both the ear gate and the eye gate.

Why would God have Ezekiel cover his face so as not to see the land in Ezekiel 12:6?

Who or what was God setting as a sign for the house of Israel in 12:6, 11?

Did Ezekiel gain the attention of the people in his pantomime of the last exile of Jerusalem to Babylon? See 12:8.

Do you think that Ezekiel was acting out a “try to escape” pantomime in 12:5-6 and 12:7? Who was trying to escape the last siege of Jerusalem and exile to Babylon? What was going to happen to him? See 12:11

Who does God’s word refer to in 12:10? Who is this prince of Jerusalem? Were the exiles (1st and 2nd deportations in Babylon already) believing that the rest of the Jews left in Jerusalem were going to be spared, including King Zedekiah? And the exiles would soon be returning home?

Why do you think that Ezekiel refers to King Zedekiah as “prince” and never as “king?” How did Zedekiah come to the throne?

What was Zedekiah’s demise according to Ezekiel 12:12-16? Please cross reference to 2 Kings 25:1-7 and also Jeremiah 25:4-11.

What would happen to Zedekiah’s troops who were also trying to flee? See Ezekiel 12:14.

Who were the few that God would spare from the sword, the famine, and the pestilences? See 12:14.

What was the sixth sign (the second sign found in Ezekiel 12)? See 12:17-20.

To whom was the message intended? See 12:19.

What is a “proverb?” Use any means you have to give clear definition to this word.

Do you think that the people may have termed Ezekiel as a prophet of doom because of his message in 12:21-25?

How soon was Ezekiel's prediction of judgment to become apparent? See 12:26-28.

After each **“the word of the LORD came to me saying, ‘Son of man...’**” write what the LORD said to Ezekiel:

12:1“...you live in the midst of the rebellious house.....

What did the LORD tell Ezekiel to do?

12:8 “...has not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said to you....

What did the LORD tell Ezekiel to say to the house of Israel, the rebellious house?

12:17 “...eat your bread with trembling, and drink your water with quivering and anxiety...

What did the LORD tell Ezekiel to do and then say to the people of the land?

12:21 “...what is this proverb you people have concerning the land of Israel,

What did the LORD tell Ezekiel to say to “you people,” who have a proverb in the land?

12:26 “...behold, the house of Israel is saying, ...

What does the LORD say to Ezekiel the house of Israel is saying and what is he to say to them? See 12:27.

Was the vision Ezekiel saw for “prophesies of times” far off? Is God speaking of all the prophecies He has given Ezekiel so far or only those that He speaks from this time on? See Ezekiel 12:27.

Please record the theme of Chapter 12 on the individual double-spaced worksheet for Ezekiel 12 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart found in the Appendix.

Ezekiel 13 – False Prophets

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel 13:

- all references to God as before, including “Lord,” “LORD,” “Lord GOD,” “I am the LORD” with the same marking. Also mark “Lord GOD,” as “Sovereign Lord.”
- all references to Israel or “house of Israel,” or “the house of Judah,” as before including “rebellious house,” “people of the land,” “the inhabitants of Jerusalem in the land of Israel,” “you *people*,” “My people,” “the lives of others,” “some who should not die,” “others who should not live”
- mark “the Remnant” as before including all references to them, i.e., “a few of them”
- all references to Ezekiel as before, including “Son of man”
- the phrase: “Thus says the Lord GOD,” as before; include “I the LORD shall speak,” “I speak,” or “declares the Lord GOD,” as one marking
- the phrase: “the LORD declares,” separately from the above marking
- the phrase: “the word of the LORD came to me saying,” as before
- the phrase: “so you will know that I am the LORD,” as before
- “false vision(s)” “vision(s)” as before; including “divination,” “falsehood,” and “lie,”
- the “prophets of Israel,” “those who prophesy from their own inspiration,” “the foolish prophets,” “O Israel, your prophets,” and “the daughters of your people who are prophesying from their own inspiration,” and their pronouns used as a single marking
- “wrath,” as before
- “woe,” as before
- all words used for “peace”
- “the righteous,” as before
- the phrase: “the day of the LORD”

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e. “then,” “now”

Mark all references to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet.

What are the three verses in chapter 13 that have a “therefore” at the beginning of the verse? What immediately precedes the “therefore(s)?”

In chapter 13, we see Ezekiel challenging the source of the messages that had been made popular to both those Israelites who were already in captivity and those who were still in the land. How many names are used for false prophets in Ezekiel 13? Make a list in the margins of chapter 13 on your double-spaced worksheets and also here below:

Why did I ask you to delineate between “thus says the LORD God,” and “the LORD declares,” in the key repeated words above?

Who was the son of man to prophesy against? See 13:1.

Why are these false prophets?

What are the foolish prophets doing wrong? See 13:3.

What does it mean to be like foxes among ruins in referring to Israel’s false prophets in 13:4?

Who sees falsehood and lying divination in 13:6? Has the LORD sent them? Has the LORD spoken to them?

For what do the false prophets hope? See 13:6.

Why is the LORD against these false prophets? See 13:8

What does it mean when God tells the false prophets that they will have no place in the “council” of His people in 13:9?

Where is the register of the house of Israel written down? See 13:9.

What is God talking about when He says the false prophets will not enter the land of Israel? I thought some were still in the “land.” See 13:9.

God starts to talk about walls in 12:10. To which “walls” is He referring? Why were walls so important to the city dwellers?

What do the walls really represent? Think along the lines of moral fabric here.

What will God do in His wrath and anger to the walls and those who have plastered the walls over with whitewash? See 13:11-16.

If the walls represent moral fabric and there are cracks in the walls which the false prophets tried to plaster over or “whitewash,” what will happen to the walls when the wind and the rain (the Babylonians) come against them?

Who is Ezekiel to prophesy against in 13:17?

Describe the “daughters of your people” from 13:17 – 13:23. Make a list in the margin of your double-spaced worksheets and below:

Who were these women, really?

What do you think God means when He asks the question, “will you hunt down the lives of My people, but preserve the lives of others for yourselves?”

What does it mean to profane God to His own people? Remember His name.

What will God do to “the daughters of your people?”

Why did God do all these things to the “false/foolish prophets” of 13:1-8 and to the “daughters of Your people?” See Ezekiel 13:9 and 13:21, 13:23.

Please record the theme of Chapter 13 on the individual double-spaced worksheet for Ezekiel 13 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart. Both are found in the Appendix.

Day 5 - Personal Application

These questions are as much for me as they are for you. Really think on these questions this week; no one (but the federal government) is interested in reading your answers; so feel free to write down what comes to your mind:

Do you think that some in our country have been listening to false prophets, perhaps even listening to some one individual who is giving out false hope for a better life to be met in our federal/state/ or local governments? (I'm just kidding with this question – it is rhetorically “yes” on your part and mine). Where is your hope? And what is your hope? Who in this country are the false prophets who compete for our ears? This isn't limited to just our politicians.

Why did Jesus (I know big leap here) withhold His messages to the Pharisees by speaking in parables, once they accused Him of working miracles by the power of Satan? See Matthew 13. Did the Pharisees have ears to hear and eyes to see, but yet did not listen and perceive? Were they just dumb or were they willful?

We need to be very careful not to fall into the same trap of spiritual deafness/blindness that these Israelites fell into at the time of the third deportation. What about you? Is there something competing for your ears other than the Word of God? Have you turned a blind eye to what's going on at the home level, the church level, the governmental level?

Do the people of this country have eyes to see, yet, they do not see what God is trying to show them? In like, do the people of this country have ears to hear, yet they do not listen to what God is trying to tell them? See Isaiah 6:9-10 and Acts 28:26-27. What do you think God is attempting to show them(us) or say to them(us) in our very polar, political, bi-partisan climate? Have the political parties split our nation?

Will God call those false prophets into judgment for giving out false hope and false encouragement? If so, will those who have been fooled find out in time to avoid God's judgment on them as well?

In like manner, what about these people who have been fooled into “believing” the lies? Will they ultimately be judged, according to what we read in chapters 12 and 13? (if this applies to us as well as the Jews)

How have the federal, state, and local governments tried to plaster over the cracks in our moral fabric as a nation?

What can we do as individuals to undo what others have done concerning our nation’s morality and our nation’s greed?

How can the government whitewash tombs so that no one can detect their lies/evil intent?

As our world becomes increasingly complex, as we acquire more and more “knowledge,” and as our abilities to access other parts of the world become easier, what do you think will happen to our government, our places of commerce, our churches, our homes?

Whether or not the Anti-Christ is already present in our day, is the spirit of the Anti-Christ alive, active, and well in our present culture? If so, what kind of evidence (for the spirit of the Anti-Christ) do you see in America today?

Do you think that God’s judgment on this nation is imminent or do we still have some time in which we can work out our problems? In other words, do our sins have to come to some point of fruition before we “get it” full force from God? Is God going to wait any longer for us or is our time up and are we ripe for His judgment?

How about some of those doomsday preachers we have in this country? If we could just get rid of them, maybe “hope” might just have a chance. (This is tongue ‘n cheek.) I actually had a co-worker say something like this to me.

When you give out the Word of God to others, do you give out your interpretation of what the Scripture says, or do you give out your own viewpoints? Be mindful of what you are saying.

I often think to myself, with the evidence so strong around us, how can anyone not believe that God is and that He rewards those who diligently seek Him? How do you think that people cannot “believe it” or cannot “see it?” Is it a mental problem that they cannot see or believe? Is it a heart problem? Is it a sin problem? Are you a “positive” thinker? Are you self-reliant? Do you think of yourself as a wonderful individual? Are these not all good things to be or think? Are you a sinner? How can we resist false prophets and false prophetesses in our day? Just because we don’t belong to the “name it” and “claim it” bunch, does that mean that we have to leave the Holy Spirit out of everything? Well girls, God is good, but He’s not safe!

Are you easily swayed into accepting something that has claims to make you beautiful or make you feel better or get well? I know that sometimes, many of us are desperate for some help and we seem to grasp at anything. Pray that you will know the difference between those who seek the Truth and those who seek to draw you into their ways and out of God’s ways. The false prophetesses of Ezekiel’s day had nothing over the false prophetesses of our day. Be aware!

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Chapter 12

Chapter Theme _____

12:1 Then the word of the LORD came to me saying,

12:2 “Son of man, you live in the midst of the rebellious house, who have eyes to see but do not see, ears to hear but do not hear; for they are a rebellious house.

12:3 “Therefore, son of man, prepare for yourself baggage for exile and go into exile by day in their sight; even go into exile from your place to another place in their sight. Perhaps they will understand though they are a rebellious house.

12: 4 “And bring your baggage out by day in their sight, as baggage for exile. Then you will go out at evening in their sight, as those going into exile.

12:5 “Dig a hole through the wall in their sight and go out through it.

12:6 “Load the baggage on your shoulder in their sight, and carry it out in the dark. You shall cover your face so that you can not see the land, for I have set you as a sign to the house of Israel.”

12:7 And I did so, as I had been commanded. By day I brought out my baggage like the baggage of an exile. Then in the evening I dug through the wall with my hands; I went out in the dark and carried the baggage on my shoulder in their sight.

12: 8 And in the morning the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

12: 9 “Son of man, has not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said to you, ‘What are you doing?’

12:10 “Say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “This burden concerns the prince in Jerusalem, as well as all the house of Israel who are in it.”’

12:11 “Say, ‘I am a sign to you. As I have done, so it will be done to them; they will go into exile, into captivity.’

12:12 “And the prince who is among them will load his baggage on his shoulder in the dark and go out. They will dig a hole through the wall to bring it out. He will cover his face so that he can not see the land with his eyes.

12:13 “I shall also spread My net over him, and he will be caught in My snare. And I shall bring him to Babylon in the land of the Chaldeans; yet he will not see it, though he will die there.

12:14 “And I shall scatter to every wind all who are around him, his helpers and all his troops; and I shall draw out a sword after them.

12:15 “So they will know that I am the LORD when I scatter them among the nations, and spread them among the countries.

12:16 “But I shall spare a few of them from the sword, the famine, and the pestilence that they may tell all their abominations among the nations where they go, and may know that I am the LORD.”

12:17 Moreover, the word of the LORD came to me saying,

12:18 “Son of man, eat your bread with trembling, and drink your water with quivering and anxiety. 12:19 “Then say to the people of the land, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD concerning the inhabitants of Jerusalem in the land of Israel, “They will eat their bread with anxiety and drink their water with horror, because their land will be stripped of its fulness on account of the violence of all who live in it.

12:20 “And the inhabited cities will be laid waste, and the land will be a desolation. So you will know that I am the LORD.””

12:21 Then the word of the LORD came to me saying,

12:22 “Son of man, what is this proverb you people have concerning the land of Israel, saying, The days are long and every vision fails?

12:23 “Therefore say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “I will make this proverb cease so that they will no longer use it as a proverb in Israel. “But tell them,” The days draw near as well as the fulfillment of every vision.

12:24 “For there will no longer be any false vision or flattering divination within the house of Israel.

12:25 “For I the LORD shall speak, and whatever word I speak will be performed. It will no longer be delayed, for in your days, O rebellious house, I shall speak the word and perform it,” declares the Lord GOD.”

12:26 Furthermore, the word of the LORD came to me saying,

12:27 “Son of man, behold, the house of Israel is saying, ‘The vision that he sees is for many years from now, and he prophesies of times far off.’

12:28 “Therefore say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “None of My words will be delayed any longer. Whatever word I speak will be performed,”” declares the Lord GOD.

Chapter 13

Chapter Theme _____

13:1 Then the word of the LORD came to me saying,

13:2 “Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who prophesy, and say to those who prophesy from their own inspiration, ‘Listen to the word of the LORD!

13:3 ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Woe to the foolish prophets who are following their own spirit and have seen nothing.

13:4 “O Israel, your prophets have been like foxes among ruins.

13:5 “You have not gone up into the breaches, nor did you build the wall around the house of Israel to stand in the battle on the day of the LORD.

13:6 “They see falsehood and lying divination who are saying, ‘The LORD declares,’ when the LORD has not sent them; yet they hope for the fulfillment of their word.

13:7 “Did you not see a false vision and speak a lying divination when you said, ‘The LORD declares,’ but it is not I who have spoken?””

13:8 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, “Because you have spoken falsehood and seen a lie, therefore behold, I am against you,” declares the Lord GOD.

13:9 “So My hand will be against the prophets who see false visions and utter lying divinations. They will have no place in the council of My people, nor will they be written down in the register of the house of Israel, nor will they enter the land of Israel, that you may know that I am the Lord GOD.

13:10 “It is definitely because they have misled My people by saying, ‘Peace!’ when there is no peace. And when anyone builds a wall, behold, they plaster it over with whitewash;

13:11 so tell those who plaster it over with whitewash, that it will fall. A flooding rain will come, and you, O hailstones, will fall; and a violent wind will break out.

13:12 “Behold, when the wall has fallen, will you not be asked, Where is the plaster with which you plastered it?”

13:13 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, “I will make a violent wind break out in My wrath. There will also be in My anger a flooding rain and hailstones to consume it in wrath.

13:14 “So I shall tear down the wall which you plastered over with whitewash and bring it down to the ground, so that its foundation is laid bare; and when it falls, you will be consumed in its midst. And you will know that I am the LORD.

13:15 “Thus I shall spend My wrath on the wall and on those who have plastered it over with whitewash; and I shall say to you, The wall is gone and its plasterers are gone,

13:16 along with the prophets of Israel who prophesy to Jerusalem, and who see visions of peace for her when there is no peace, declares the Lord GOD.

13:17 “Now you, son of man, set your face against the daughters of your people who are prophesying from their own inspiration. Prophecy against them,

13:18 and say, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Woe to the women who sew magic bands on all wrists, and make veils for the heads of persons of every stature to hunt down lives! Will you hunt down the lives of My people, but preserve the lives of others for yourselves?”

13:19 “And for handfuls of barley and fragments of bread, you have profaned Me to My people to put to death some who should not die and to keep others alive who should not live, by your lying to My people who listen to lies.””

13:20 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I am against your magic bands by which you hunt lives there as birds, and I will tear them off your arms; and I will let them go, even those lives whom you hunt as birds.

13:21 “I will also tear off your veils and deliver My people from your hands, and they will no longer be in your hands to be hunted; and you will know that I am the LORD.

13:22 “Because you disheartened the righteous with falsehood when I did not cause him grief, but have encouraged the wicked not to turn from his wicked way and preserve his life,

13:23 therefore, you women will no longer see false visions or practice divination, and I will deliver My people out of your hand. Thus you will know that I am the LORD.”

False Prophets vs. True Prophets of God

False Prophets		True Prophets of God
Commonalities of False Prophets	Judgment for False Prophets	
<p>Main Message = giving people false optimism - saying Babylon would not take any more into captivity, the captives would soon be home</p> <p><u>False Prophets</u> -see false visions, flattering divinations 12:24, 13:6-8 -say vision that Ezekiel sees is for many years from now/ prophecies of times far off 12:27 -prophecy from their own inspiration 13:2 -are foolish-follow own spirit & have seen nothing 13:3 -are like foxes among ruins 13:4 -say “the LORD declares” 13:6 -however, the LORD did not send them 13:6 -hope for the fulfillment of their words 13:6 -have spoken falsehood, have seen lies 13:8 -have misled God’s people 13:10 -have said “peace” when there is no peace 13:10</p> <p><u>False Female Prophets</u> -sew magic bands on all wrists 13:18 -make veils for heads of every person 13:18 -hunt down God’s people; preserve their own 13:18 -have profaned God to His people 13:19 -have put to death some who should not die 13:19 -have kept others alive who should not live 13:19 -have lied to God’s people who listen to lies 13:19 -have disheartened the righteous w/ falsehood 13:22 -have encourage the wicked not to turn from his wicked ways and therefore preserve his life 13:22</p>	<p><u>False Prophets</u> -God is against them 13:8 -God’s hand is against them 13:9 -have no place in council of God’s people 13:9 -will not be written down in the register of the house of Israel 13:9 -will not enter the land 13:9 -the walls they plaster over with whitewash will fall 13:11 -flooding rain, hailstones, will fall, violent wind will break out in God’s wrath 13:11, 13 -the walls will fall down for God will tear them down to the ground 13:14 -the foundations will be bare 13:14 -when the walls fall, they and the people will be consumed 13:14 -gone along with plasterers and the wall are the false prophets who say peace when there is no peace 13:16</p> <p><u>False Female Prophets</u> -God’s is against their magic bands/God will tear them off their arms 13:18, 20 -God will let those lives go which they have hunted 13:20 -God will tear off their veils 13:18, 21 -God will deliver His people from their hands 13:21 -they will no longer see false visions or practice divination - b/c they will be dead 13:23</p>	<p>Main Message = God’s judgment was imminent-1/3 would die from sword, 1/3 from disease/pestilence, 1/3 would be exiled - even their King; Jerusalem would be totally overrun/destroyed; land barren</p> <p>-the days draw near as well as the fulfillment of every one of their true visions 12:23 -Ezekiel prophecies/acts out that the inhabitants of Israel will eat bread with anxiety & drink water with horror 12:19 -Ezekiel prophesys the land will be stripped of fullness b/c of their violence, cities, will be laid waste 12:19 -they say, “Thus says the LORD,” and “declares the LORD.” 12:19, 28 -Ezekiel is to set his face against the daughter of his people who prophesy according to their own inspiration 13:7</p>

A Proverb and Two Vastly Different Words from the LORD - Time is Up! Judgment is Imminent

Two Sides of a Proverb		Two Different Words from the LORD	
False Prophets/the People:	God/ Ezekiel:	False Prophets:	God/Ezekiel
<p>The days are long and every vision fails - 12:22</p>	<p>The days draw near as well as the fulfillment of every vision - 12:23</p> <p>Whatever word God speaks, will be performed; no longer will there be any delay for in their days, O rebellious house, God shall speak the word & perform it 12:25</p>	<p>Ezekiel's vision is for many years from now and he prophesies for time far off - 12:27</p>	<p>None of God's words will be delayed any longer - 12:28</p> <p>Whatever word God speaks will be performed 12:28</p>