

Ezekiel Part 3, Week 3, Ezekiel 29-30 Judgment on Egypt (Part 1)

Day 1 – Ezekiel 29-30

Last week, we looked at judgment on the great port trading cities of Tyre and Sidon. Two weeks ago, we saw God's judgment on the nations of Ammon, Moab, Edom, and Arabia. These judgments from God were placed on these cities and nations because of their improper treatment of Israel (Judah). They did not view Judah as God's people and more importantly, they did not recognize that God was the only true God and Sovereign over men. With these judgments (exception of Edom), God made certain that these cities and these nations recognized Him as the LORD God. God used the Babylonians as His instrument of judgment on all. Now, this week and next week, we will look at God's judgment on the nation of Egypt. The Isaiah cross-references for this week's study are chapters 18-20. Isaiah 18 on Ethiopia is included here because, at the time of Isaiah's writing, Ethiopia was part of Egypt and invoked some of the judgment on the whole nation. The Ethiopians were considered a part of Egypt in Ezekiel's day and played a part in these four chapters (Ezekiel 29-32) as well.

Please start your study this week with at least 10 minutes of concentrated prayer for God to make sense of His judgment on Egypt for you. Remember that God had always forbidden the Israelites to go back to their ways they had learned from their Egyptian captives. The Israelites continuously pulled the Egyptian gods back into their worship of Jehovah and they continually made forbidden alliances and treaties with them. These were big NO NO's! In this time frame of Ezekiel 29-32, the land of Israel had made an alliance with Egypt to come rescue them when they were attacked by Babylon. Remember, Babylon had put a vassal king on the throne of Judah, and King Zedekiah rebelled against Nebuchadnezzar. The Jews were to put their trust for protection only in the LORD God Himself and were to make no unholy alliances for protection with any king of any of the nations that surrounded them.

Now, just read Ezekiel 29 and 30.

Now, after you have read Ezekiel 29 and 30, 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.

Now, reread these two chapters with discernment. Tomorrow, we will begin marking chapter 29.

Day 2-4 – Chapters 29-30 The First Four Oracles Against Egypt

Ezekiel 29 – God’s Judgment on Egypt – Oracles 1 and 2

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 29:

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

also mark “Lord GOD,” as “Sovereign Lord”

all references to Israel or “the house of Israel,” “in their midst,” as before including all pronouns referring to them as one marking

all references to Ezekiel as before, including “Son of man”

all references to “Egypt,” “the land of Egypt,” “all the fish of your rivers,”

“only a staff made of reed,” “desolation and waste,” “an utter waste and desolation,” “a desolation in the midst of desolated lands,” “from Migdol to Syene and even to the border of Ethiopia,” “the land of Pathros,” “the land of their origin,” “lowly kingdom,” as one marking as before

all references to Pharaoh, “king of Egypt” the great monster that lies in the midst of his rivers,” “your scales,” and pronouns as one marking

“wages,” and pronouns as one marking

all references to the Nile River and pronouns as one marking

all references to “sword,” “cut off,” “slain,” as one marking as before

all references to “against,” as before

all references to “Ethiopia,” as one marking as before

all references to numbers, i.e., “forty,” with the actual numbers above, i.e., “40”

all references to the “nations,” as before, include “the lands,” here

all reference to “Nebuchadnezzar,” and “king of Babylon,” and all pronouns as one marking

the phrase: “the word of the LORD came to me saying,” as before

the phrase: “they (Egypt) will know that I am the LORD,” “will know that I am the LORD God,” as before

the phrase: “thus says the Lord GOD,” as before; include “declares the Lord GOD,” as one marking as before

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e. “in the tenth year, in the tenth month, on the twelfth of the month,” “in the twenty-seventh year, in the first month, on the first of the month, “when,” “then,” “now,” “never again,” and “on that day”

Mark the reference to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet. What is the “therefore,” there for in Ezekiel 29:8, 10,19? What statement(s) precede the “therefore” that gives the reader understanding?

There are two distinct groupings of verses in Ezekiel chapter 29; both are time groupings. I would like you to draw a line between Ezekiel 29:16 and 29:17 on your double-spaced worksheet for Ezekiel 29. These are two groupings defined by the first two oracles upon Egypt and her Pharaoh. Notice the time signatures in these first two oracles? The first oracle is dated January 5, 587 B.C. To put this into perspective with the siege on Jerusalem, this was almost a year after the third siege of Jerusalem began. Go back to Ezekiel 24:1-2 for this information on Jerusalem's last and final siege.

Who is against Pharaoh and all of Egypt according to 29:2-3?

How does God further define the Pharaoh of Egypt according to 29:3?

Did Pharaoh of Egypt think he was a god? How do you know?

Who is the Creator of all things, those things seen and those things unseen?

Who is the Pharaoh of Egypt at this time? You will need to use your reference books or your notes in your Bibles to answer this question. What was Pharaoh's offense against God and against the land of Israel?

How is God going to prove to Pharaoh that he is merely a man and not a god, starting in Ezekiel 29:4?

Who are the fish of Pharaoh's rivers? See Ezekiel 29:4.

How will Pharaoh's "fish of the rivers" act when God brings Pharaoh out from the midst of the rivers? See Ezekiel 29:4.

What will happen to Pharaoh and all of "the fish of 'his' rivers" according to Ezekiel 29:5?

Then, what will all the inhabitants of Egypt know? Why will all of Egypt know this? See Ezekiel 29:6.

Why did God describe Egypt as a “staff of reeds?” What was a staff used for in those days? How strong is a reed?

What did God do to the land of Israel because they made an unholy alliance with Egypt? See Ezekiel 29:7.

What will God do to Egypt because they made this alliance with Israel at this time, even though Israel should not have acted on the treaty? See Ezekiel 29:8-9.

What is the result of judgment? What is one wonderful purpose of judgment if you take Ezekiel 29:9 to heart?

Once again, in Ezekiel 29:10, God tells Pharaoh and “his rivers,” that He is against them. How complete will God’s destruction be of the land of Egypt according to Ezekiel 29:10-12?

How many years will Egypt be desolate and a wasteland? Will the beasts be left in the land? If the beasts will be left in the land, how will they survive? See Ezekiel 29:11?

What will physically happen to the remnant of the Egyptian people? See Ezekiel 29:12.

What will happen to the Egyptian remnant after 40 years of captivity amongst the nations where they have been dispersed? See Ezekiel 29:13-15.

Did Egypt ever return to her former glory after the return of the remnant of Egypt to her land? Why or why not? What about the time when Greece is the dominant ruler on the earth?

Will Israel ever again be confident of her trust in the Egyptian people for protection? See Ezekiel 29:16.

Does Israel have permission from God to make an alliance with Egypt? Do you think this is referring to an alliance for Egypt's protection of Israel or a peace treaty?

What were the wages of Nebuchadnezzar's armies for their 13 years spent fighting Tyre? See Ezekiel 29:19.

What part of the wages was given to Nebuchadnezzar himself as his payment for being in the service of the LORD God? See Ezekiel 29:20.

How do you know, specifically in this chapter 29, that God has used Babylon as His arm of judgment on Egypt? See Ezekiel 29:20.

When will Egypt know that God is the LORD in this chapter? What are the individual circumstances for all four verses?

Please record the theme of chapter 29 on the individual worksheet for Ezekiel 29 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart in the Appendix.

Ezekiel 30 – God's Lamentation on Egypt – Oracles 3 and 4

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 30:

- all references to God as before, including, "LORD," "Lord GOD," "I am the LORD," with the same marking including all pronouns as before
- also mark "Lord GOD," as "Sovereign Lord"
- all references to Ezekiel as before, including "Son of man"
- all references to "Nebuchadnezzar," "king of Babylon," and pronouns as before
- all references to "Babylon," "his people with him," "the most ruthless of the nations," and pronouns as before
- all references to "sword," "slain," as you marked "sword," before
- all references to "nations" as before
- all references to "idols," and "images," as you marked them before
- all references to "fire," as you marked them before
- all references to "Egypt," "the multitude of Egypt," "the land," and all the cities of Egypt as one marking as you marked Egypt before; include "the Nile canals"
- all references to "Ethiopia," as before
- all the people of the land who are in league with one another with the same marking, i.e. "Ethiopia," "Put," "Lud," "all Arabia," "Lybia," "all people of the land"

the phrase: “thus says the Lord GOD,” as before; include “declares the Lord GOD,” as one marking as before

the phrase: “they will know that I am the LORD,” as before

the phrase: “the word of the LORD came to me saying,” as before

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e. “the day,” “the day is near,” “the day of the LORD is near,” “a day of clouds,” “a time of doom,” “the day of Egypt,” “on that day,” “when,” and “then”

Mark the reference to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet. What is the “therefore,” there for in Ezekiel 29:22? What statement(s) precede the “therefore” that gives the reader understanding?

There are also two distinct groupings of verses in Ezekiel chapter 30; both are time groupings. I would like you to draw a line between Ezekiel 30:19 and Ezekiel 30:20. These are defined as the second two oracles upon Egypt and her Pharaoh. Notice the time signatures on these two oracles and then go back and compare them to the first two oracles in chapter 29. (Obviously, there is no time signature for the third oracle.) Why do you think the second oracle beginning in Ezekiel 29:17 is out of chronological order with oracle 1 of chapter 29 and oracle 4 of chapter 30?

Chapter 30 of Ezekiel is a lamentation on the nation of Egypt. What one word in Ezekiel 30:2 gives this chapter’s purpose away?

How is “this day” described in Ezekiel 30:2-3? When will this day occur? Is this the “day of vengeance of our God,” cited in Isaiah 61:2 or is this day surrounding the time of Egypt’s capture by the Babylonians?

Aren’t you glad that God so often uses “day” terminology for the destruction and judgment of Israel and the other nations, and “years” terminology for His blessings?

How will Babylon come into Egypt? What instruments will she use in bringing about the captivity of the Egyptians?

Who will fall in Egypt? What will the Babylonians do to the Egyptians according to Ezekiel 30:4?

How are the nations’ foundations torn down? See Ezekiel 30:4.

What nations were in league with Egypt? What will happen to these nations who are in cahoots with Egypt? Was this league's wrongdoing based on a forbidden alliance or treaty with Israel over peace or was this alliance due to a common defense agreement among these nations to stave off Babylon? See Ezekiel 30:5.

Will Egypt's helpers survive the devastation? What happens to them in Ezekiel 30:8?

When will Egypt know that "God is the LORD" in this chapter?" See Ezekiel 30:8. There will be other times in this chapter when Egypt will again know that God is the LORD. Compare Ezekiel 30:8, 19, 25, and 26.

Egypt was large in population at this time in history. What will happen to her multitudes by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon? See Ezekiel 30:10.

What message will God send out by His own messengers to frighten the secure Ethiopians and cause them anguish? Do you think this is unfair of God to do such a thing?

Is there a day of doom for Ethiopia as there is a day of doom for Egypt? See Ezekiel 30:9.

How does God describe the Babylonians in Ezekiel 30:11?

What will God do to the Nile canals? Why will He do this specifically to the Nile canals? Hint: In Ezekiel 29, what did Pharaoh say about himself?

Who are the "strangers" who make the land desolate by their hands?

List the cities of Egypt that will be devastated as recorded in Ezekiel 30:13-17.

What will happen in Memphis? See Ezekiel 30:13, 16.

Why will no prince or pharaoh in Egypt put fear into the land?

What will happen to Pathros?

What will happen in Zoan?

What will God do to Thebes? See Ezekiel 30:14-16.

What will happen to Sin? What is another name God calls Sin here? See Ezekiel 30:15.
Why will she writhe in anguish according to Ezekiel 30:16?

What will happen to the young men of On and Pi-beseth? See Ezekiel 30:17.

What will happen to the women of On and Pi-beseth?

What will happen to the day in Tehaphenehes? See Ezekiel 30:18.

What is God saying about Egypt and the rulers of Egypt in Ezekiel 30:20-22?

Will the Egyptians experience a Diaspora similar to the Jews? Where will they be carried into captivity? See Ezekiel 30:23,26 and also other outside sources for this information. Does this surprise you? Look in your Bible dictionary under "Egypt."

How do you know, specifically in this chapter 30, that God has used Babylon as His instrument of judgment on Egypt? See verses 24-26.

Please record the theme of chapter 30 on the individual worksheet for Ezekiel 30 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart in the Appendix.

Day 5 - Personal reflection:

These questions are as much for me as they are for you.

In Ezekiel 30:4, taking away the nation's wealth tore down the foundations of the nation of Egypt. How do you see this happening today in our own country and most recently within the past 7 weeks?

Knowing that it was wrong for Egypt to become involved with Israel in making an alliance to come to her defense when attacked by Babylon, is it wrong for the US to become entangled with the land for peace issues facing the Israelis today? Israel has been told by God they are not to give away their land. What is the US risking by being involved and wanting to call the shots?

As a nation, what are we really saying back to God when we interfere with Israel's clear instructions from God? Do we Americans think we are doing the right thing when we trust our own perception of God instead of believing what He has revealed about Himself in His Word? Are we really more compassionate than the revealed God of Scripture?

Egypt was once a great nation with many subject nations. We have been a great nation with influence worldwide. The statistics of once great nations reveal a pattern of eventual loss of power, influence and prestige. Egypt was not completely destroyed in God's judgments during Isaiah or Ezekiel's times. Tyre was not completely destroyed until another time. If our nation is now being judged by God, will we just become a second-rate nation losing our power, influence and prestige or will we lose our existence totally?

Often, I am asked, why the US does not appear in the Scripture concerning the end-times scenario? List the possibilities why the most powerful nation on earth at the present time does not seem to play a part in the Scriptural end times. Really think on this question. Don't skip over it.

Egypt was not walled. They did not think that they needed to put up such defenses. They were surrounded by desert. The only entrance into Egypt by an enemy had to be through the Nile River valley. All Egypt had to do for protection was to put up a wall of defense in this location. Egypt underestimated the power of her enemy Babylon and overestimated her own strength to fight against an enemy. This was evident when her alliance made with Israel forced her to encounter Babylon outside her self-made defense system. What will happen to the US when our nation's administration barter away our self-made defense system across Eastern Europe? Has the US administration underestimated the wiles and power of our enemy? Has the US administration done this on purpose to weaken our defenses?

How long will the US go into captivity as part of the judgment of our nation?

Where does judgment begin in God's economy? Some have disagreed with my opinion that we, the US, are ripe for judgment or are now experiencing the beginnings of God's judgment on our nation. They have said things like, the US is the best nation, most compassionate nation on earth. We have given generously to so many in need. They are correct: most of the people of this great nation have made the nation great by our obedience to Christ; however, what do you now see happening on a national scale in this country that changes our position in God's economy? What is the attitude this nation is beginning to take on Israel and on God as Sovereign LORD?

What do we worship today in America? With what will we be plagued and have to destroy some day because "our god" has turned out to be a menace? The Chinese have practiced abortion and female infanticide now to such an extent that they do not have enough women for all their men.

Whose word do you think it is, when this phrase is repeated over and over again in Ezekiel, "the word of the LORD came to me saying?" Is there any doubt in your mind "whose word?" Is there any doubt in your mind whose word the rest of the Scripture records? Obey Him.

Do you get the idea that for the first time in our history as a nation, real peril lies before us? The reality of persecution and suffering will soon be upon us. Should this be a time of mourning, wailing, and lamentation on our part as Believers in Christ? Should we be fasting, throwing ashes on our bodies, wearing sackcloth, praying and repenting? A cloud

was over Egypt, blocking the sun's rays from getting through. Is there a cloud over our country right now? What will you do about it?

Figuratively, have our rivers dried up in America? The US was once fertile in ideas, in freedom, in creativity. What has happened to our water source? Figuratively, is our land being sold into the hands of strangers, foreigners? How about in actuality? Is our land being sold like Egypt was being sold? Who is making our land a wasteland?

There is no more royal line in Egypt anymore. I know there is no royalty nor ever has been in the US, but I want you to think in figurative terms here: Is there a royal line of rulers in the US anymore today? What made the royal line of rulers in the US royal? Is there a mongrel race that now holds these positions? What went wrong along the way? Where did the intruder come in to spoil the pot? Who or what was this intruder?

As it was in Thebes after Babylon's run in Egypt, will there be any evidence of greatness in archeological finds for 21st century USA when the world looks 200 years from now? Where does our greatness lie? What is evidence of our greatness as a nation?

It is difficult to hold on to our scepter of power in the US when one of our arms is broken. How much easier it will be to break our other arm when the defense of the first arm is not intact.

I hope that you have enjoyed this week's lesson and that this study has been a catalyst to open your eyes to what is going on around us in our country and in the world. Next week, we will again look at Egypt for the final three oracles or judgments God will place upon her. They will come to pass.

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Chapter 29

Chapter Theme _____

29:1 In the tenth year, in the tenth month, on the twelfth of the month, the word of the LORD came to me saying,

29:2 “Son of man, set your face against Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and prophesy against him and against all Egypt.

29:3 “Speak and say, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I am against you, Pharaoh, king of Egypt, The great monster that lies in the midst of his rivers, That has said, ‘My Nile is mine, and I myself have made it.’

29: 4 “And I shall put hooks in your jaws, And I shall make the fish of your rivers cling to your scales. And I shall bring you up out of the midst of your rivers, And all the fish of your rivers will cling to your scales.

29:5 “And I shall abandon you to the wilderness, you and all the fish of your rivers; You will fall on the open field; you will not be brought together or gathered. I have given you for food to the beasts of the earth and to the birds of the sky.

29:6 “Then all the inhabitants of Egypt will know that I am the LORD, Because they have been only a staff made of reed to the house of Israel.

29:7 “When they took hold of you with the hand, You broke and tore all their hands; And when they leaned on you, You broke and made all their loins quake.”

29:8 ‘Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I shall bring upon you a sword, and I shall cut off from you man and beast.

29:9 “And the land of Egypt will become a desolation and waste. Then they will know that I am the LORD.

Because you said, ‘The Nile is mine, and I have made it,’

29:10 therefore, behold, I am against you and against your rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt an utter waste and desolation, from Migdol to Syene and even to the border of Ethiopia.

29:11 “A man’s foot will not pass through it, and the foot of a beast will not pass through it, and it will not be inhabited for forty years.

29:12 “So I shall make the land of Egypt a desolation in the midst of desolated lands. And her cities, in the midst of cities that are laid waste, will be desolate forty years; and I shall scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the lands.”

29:13 ‘For thus says the Lord GOD, “At the end of forty years I shall gather the Egyptians from the peoples among whom they were scattered.

29:14 “And I shall turn the fortunes of Egypt and shall make them return to the land of Pathros, to the land of their origin; and there they will be a lowly kingdom.

29:15 “It will be the lowest of the kingdoms; and it will never again lift itself up above the nations. And I shall make them so small that they will not rule over the nations.

29:16 “And it will never again be the confidence of the house of Israel, bringing to mind the iniquity of their having turned to Egypt. Then they will know that I am the Lord GOD.””

29:17 Now in the twenty-seventh year, in the first month, on the first of the month, the word of the LORD came to me saying,

29:18 “Son of man, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon made his army labor hard against Tyre; every head was made bald, and every shoulder was rubbed bare. But he and his army had no wages from Tyre for the labor that he had performed against it.”

29:19 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I shall give the land of Egypt to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon. And he will carry off her wealth, and capture her spoil and seize her plunder; and it will be wages for his army.

29:20 “I have given him the land of Egypt for his labor which he performed, because they acted for Me,” declares the Lord GOD.

29:21 “On that day I shall make a horn sprout for the house of Israel, and I shall open your mouth in their midst. Then they will know that I am the LORD.”

Chapter 30

Chapter Theme _____

30:1 The word of the LORD came again to me saying,

30:2 “Son of man, prophesy and say, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Wail, ‘Alas for the day!’

30:3 “For the day is near, Even the day of the LORD is near; It will be a day of clouds, A time of doom for the nations.

30:4 “And a sword will come upon Egypt, And anguish will be in Ethiopia, When the slain fall in Egypt, They take away her wealth, And her foundations are torn down.

30:5 “Ethiopia, Put, Lud, all Arabia, Libya, and the people of the land that is in league will fall with them by the sword.”

30:6 Thus says the LORD, “Indeed, those who support Egypt will fall, And the pride of her power will come down; From Migdol to Syene They will fall within her by the sword,” Declares the Lord GOD.

30:7 “And they will be desolate In the midst of the desolated lands; And her cities will be In the midst of the devastated cities.

30:8 “And they will know that I am the LORD, When I set a fire in Egypt And all her helpers are broken.

30:9 “On that day messengers will go forth from Me in ships to frighten secure Ethiopia; and anguish will be on them as on the day of Egypt; for, behold, it comes!”

30:10 ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “I will also make the multitude of Egypt cease By the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon.

30:11 “He and his people with him, The most ruthless of the nations, Will be brought in to destroy the land; And they will draw their swords against Egypt And fill the land with the slain.

30:12 “Moreover, I will make the Nile canals dry And sell the land into the hands of evil men. And I will make the land desolate, And all that is in it, By the hand of strangers; I, the LORD, have spoken.”

30:13 ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “I will also destroy the idols And make the images cease from Memphis. And there will no longer be a prince in the land of Egypt; And I will put fear in the land of Egypt.

30:14 “And I will make Pathros desolate, Set a fire in Zoan, And execute judgments on Thebes.

30:15 “And I will pour out My wrath on Sin, The stronghold of Egypt; I will also cut off the multitude of Thebes.

30:16 “And I will set a fire in Egypt; Sin will writhe in anguish, Thebes will be breached, And Memphis will have distresses daily.

30:17 “The young men of On and of Pi-beseth Will fall by the sword, And the women will go into captivity.

30:18 “And in Tehaphnehes the day will be dark When I break there the yoke bars of Egypt. Then the pride of her power will cease in her; A cloud will cover her, And her daughters will go into captivity. 19 “Thus I will execute judgments on Egypt, And they will know that I am the LORD.””

30:20 And it came about in the eleventh year, in the first month, on the seventh of the month, that the word of the LORD came to me saying,

30:21 “Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, behold, it has not been bound up for healing or wrapped with a bandage, that it may be strong to hold the sword.

30:22 “Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, ‘Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt and will break his arms, both the strong and the broken; and I will make the sword fall from his hand.

30:23 ‘And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the lands.

30:24 ‘For I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon and put My sword in his hand; and I

will break the arms of Pharaoh, so that he will groan before him with the groanings of a wounded man.

30:25 ‘Thus I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, but the arms of Pharaoh will fall. Then they will know that I am the LORD, when I put My sword into the hand of the king of Babylon and he stretches it out against the land of Egypt.

30:26 ‘When I scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the lands, then they will know that I am the LORD.’”

EGYPT

Genesis 12:3 “And I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse.”

Oracles 1-2 or Judgments Against Egypt - Ezekiel 29

Oracle 1 Against Egypt - vs 1-16

**almost 1 yr after final seige on Jerusalem began
signified when Egypt went to rescue Israel from Babylon**

1. Pharaoh Hopni

-God is against Pharaoh , the king of Egypt, the great monster that lies in the midst of his rivers, that has said the Nile is his and he himself is its creator

-God will put hooks in Pharaoh’s jaws, make the fish of his rivers cling to his scales, shall bring him up out of the midst of his rivers, and shall abandon him and his fish to the wilderness, will make him fall on the open field, will not be brought together or gathered, will give him as food to the beasts of the earth and the birds of the sky

-God is against Pharaoh and his rivers

2. The inhabitants of Egypt

-they will cling to Pharaoh

-they will be abandoned to the wilderness

-they have been only a staff made of reeds to the house of Israel, so God will bring the sword of the Babyonians on them

-they will know that He is the Lord

-God will scatter the Egyptians among the nations

-God will later return them to the land & return their fortunes

-God will make them a lowly kingdom

3. The land

-they have been only a staff made of reeds to the house of Israel, so God will cut off Man and beast from their land & Egypt will be a wasteland & desolation

-God is against him and against his rivers and He will make the desolation of the land of Egypt widespread throughout Migdol to Syene and to the border of Ethiopia

-the land will not be inhabited x 40 years, Man and beast will not be in it

-God will desolate the lands around Egypt

-God will make Egypt’s cities desolate

Oracle 2 Against Egypt - vs 17-21

Nebuchadnezzar was coming to bring judgment on Egypt

1. Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon made his army labor hard against Tyre - 13 years

2. Nebuchadnezzar and his army had no wages from Tyre for the labor that he had performed against it

3. The Lord God has given the land of Egypt to Nebuchadnezzar to carry off her wealth, capture her spoil, and seize her plunder so that all his army has wages

4. The Lord God has given Nebuchadnezzar the land of Egypt for his labor which he performed because he acted for God

EGYPT

Genesis 12:3 "And I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse."	
Oracles 3-4 or Judgments Against Egypt - Ezekiel 30	
Oracle 3 Against Egypt - vs 1-19 no time signature for third oracle	Oracle 4 Against Egypt - vs 20-26 recorded after the Babylonians defeated Egypt
<p>The day of judgment has come -the day is near -the day of the Lord is near -a day of clouds -a time of doom for the nations The look of judgment -a sword will come upon Egypt -anguish will be in Ethiopia -when slain fall in Egypt, her wealth and foundations will be torn down -Ethiopia, Put, Lud, all Arabia, Libya, and the people of the land that are in league with Egypt will fall by the sword; all who support Egypt will fall -Egypt's pride of her power will come down from Migdol to Syene: all will fall within her by the sword, they will be desolate in the midst of desolated lands -Egypt's cities will be in midst of other devastated cities -All will know that He is the Lord when He sets a fire in Egypt and all her helpers are broken -messengers will go forth from God in ships to frighten secure Ehtiopia and anguish will be upon them -God will make the multitude of Egypt cease by the hand of the Babylonians, -God will make Babylonians destroy the land, draw their swords against the Egyptians and fill the land with the slain. -God will make the Nile canals dry & sell land into the hands of evil men -God will make the land desolate and all that is in it by the hand of strangers -God will destroy the idols and make the images cease from Memphis -There will no longer be a ruler in Egypt & God will put fear in the land -God will make Pathros desolate -God will set fire to Zoan -God will execute judgment on Thebes and cut off its multitude & will be breached -God will pour out His wrath on Sin, the stronghold of Egypt & cause to writhe in anguish -God will set fire in Egypt -God will give Memphis distresses daily -God will cause young men of On and Pi-beseth to fall by the sword, the women will go into captivity -God will cause Tehaphenehes to be dark -God will cause the yoke-bars of Egypt to cease, her power to cease, a cloud will cover her THEY WILL KNOW THAT HE IS THE LORD</p>	<p>God has broken the arm of Pharaoh, king of Egypt -it has not been bound up for healing or wrapped with a bandage that it may be strong to hold the sword again</p> <p>God is against Pharaoh -He will break his arms, both the strong and the broken and make the sword fall from his hand -He will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them from the lands -He will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, but the arms of Pharaoh will fall</p> <p>-He will put His sword into the hand of the king of Babylon and he will stretch it out against the land of Egypt</p> <p>THEN THEY WILL KNOW THAT HE IS THE LORD</p> <p>-He will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and dispers them among the lands</p> <p>THEN THEY WILL KNOW THAT HE IS THE LORD</p>