SCROLLS OF EZEKIEL UNVEILED (Chronological Sequence — 4<sup>th</sup> scroll of 13)

4th Scroll — 9th year (588 B.C.)

King Nebuchadnezzar prophesied to capture Jerusalem

→ 10<sup>th</sup> day (24:1) Again in the ninth year, in the tenth month, on the tenth day the Word of Yahweh came to me, saying, (24:2) Son of man, write for yourself the name of the day, even of this same day. The king of Babylon has leaned toward Jerusalem this same day.

### King Nebuchadnezzar marches upon Jerusalem

(24:3) And speak a parable to the rebellious house, and say to them, So says the Lord Yahweh: Set on a pot; set it on, and also pour water into it. (24:4) Gather its pieces into it, even every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder. Fill it with the choice bones. (24:5) Take the choice of the flock, and also burn the bones under it; make it boil high, and let them boil its bones in it.

(24:6) So the Lord Yahweh says this: Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum is in it, and whose scum has not gone out of it! Bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall on it. (24:7) For her blood is in her midst; she set it on the top of a rock. She did not pour it on the ground, to cover it with dust, (24:8) that it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance. I have set her blood on a shining rock, that it should not be covered.

(24:9) So the Lord Yahweh says this: Woe to the bloody city! I will even heap on the pile. (24:10) And heap on the wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh. and mix in the spice, and let the bones be burned. (24:11) And set it empty on its coals, so that its bronze may be hot and may glow, and that its uncleanness may be melted in it, that the scum of it may be burned away. (24:12) She has wearied herself with lies, and her great scum did not go out from her. Her scum shall be in the fire. (21:13) In your defilement is wickedness. Because I have purged you and you were not purged, you shall not be purged from your defilement any more, until I have caused My fury to cease on you. (24:14) I Yahweh have spoken. It shall come, and I will do *it*. I will not let go, nor will I spare, nor will I repent. According to your ways, and according to your doings, they shall judge you, says the Lord Yahweh.

# Ezekiel's wife to die as a prophetic sign to the House of Israel

(24:15) And the Word of Yahweh came to me, saying, (24:16) Son of man, behold, I take away from you the desire of your eyes with a stroke. Yet neither shall you mourn nor weep, nor shall your tears run down. (24:17) Groan but be silent; make no mourning for the dead; tie your turban on you, and put your sandals on your feet, and do not cover your lips, and do not eat the bread of men.

### → 11<sup>th</sup> day

(24:18) So I spoke to the people in the morning. And in the evening my wife died, and I did in the morning as I was commanded. (24:19) And the people said to me, Will you not tell us what these things mean to us, that you do so?

#### **Ezekiel speaks to the Exiles**

(24:20) And I answered them, The Word of Yahweh came to me, saying, (24:21) Speak to the house of Israel. So says the Lord Yahweh: behold, I will defile My sanctuary, the glory of your strength, the desire of your eyes, and that which your soul pities. And your sons and your daughters whom you have left shall fall by the sword. (24:22) And you shall do as I have done. You shall not cover your lips nor eat the bread of men. (24:23) And your turbans shall be on your heads, and your sandals on your feet. You shall not mourn nor weep; but you shall pine away for your iniquities and mourn to one another.

(24:24) So Ezekiel is a sign to you. According to all that he has done, you shall do. And when this comes, you shall know that I am the Lord Yahweh. (24:25) Also, son of man, will it not be in the day when I take from

them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and that on which they set their minds, their sons and their daughters, (24:26) that he who escapes in that day shall come to you to cause you to hear it with your ears? (24:27) In that day your mouth shall be open to him who has escaped, and you shall speak and be no more dumb. And you shall be a sign to them, and they shall know that I am Yahweh. See, Ch 33:21 and scroll one and ten.

Ammonites to be judged for their joy over the destruction of the Sanctuary and the House of Israel

(25:1) The Word of Yahweh came again to me, saying, (25:2) Son of man, set your face against the Ammonites and prophesy against them. (25:3) And say to the Ammonites, Hear the Word of the Lord Yahweh.

So says the Lord Yahweh: Because you said, Aha, against My sanctuary when it was defiled, and against the land of Israel when it was ruined, and against the house of Judah when they (25:4)went into captivity; therefore, behold, I will give you to the sons of the east for a possession. And they shall set their camp sites among you, and put among you their dwellings. They shall eat your fruit, and they shall drink your milk. (25:5) And I will make Rabbah a pasture for camels, and the Ammonites a crouching-place for flocks. And you shall know that I am Yahweh.

(25:6) For so says the Lord Yahweh: Because you have clapped *your* hands and stamped the foot, and rejoiced in heart with all your spite against the land of Israel; (25:7) behold, therefore I will stretch out My hand on you, and will give you as a prize to the nations. And I will cut you off from the peoples, and I will cause you to perish out of the lands. I will destroy you, *and you shall know that I am Yahweh.* 

(25:8) So says the Lord Yahweh: Because Moab and Seir say, Behold, the house of Judah *is* like all the nations; (25:9) therefore, behold, I will open the side of

Moab from the cities, from his cities, from his borders, the glory of the land, even Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim, (25:10) to the men of the east with the Ammonites. And I will give them in possession so that the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations. (25:11) And I will execute judgments on Moab; and they shall know that I am Yahweh.

**Edom, Philistines and Cherethites judged because of** their vengeance against Judah (25:12) So says the Lord Yahweh: Because Edom has dealt against the house of Judah by taking vengeance, and has greatly offended and revenged himself on them; (25:13) therefore so says the Lord Yahweh: I will also stretch out Mv hand on Edom, and will cut man and beast off from it; and I will make it a waste from Teman, even to Dedan they shall fall by the sword. (25:14) And I will lay My vengeance on Edom by the hand of My people Israel. And they shall do in Edom according to My anger and according to My fury. And they shall know My vengeance, says the Lord Yahweh.

(25:15) So says the Lord Yahweh: Because the Philistines have taken vengeance; yes, have taken vengeance with spite in their soul, to destroy with neverending enmity, (25:16) So the Lord Yahweh savs this: Behold, I will stretch out My hand on the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethites, and will destroy the rest of the sea coast. (25:17) And I will execute great vengeance on them with rebukes; and they shall know that I am Yahweh, when I shall lay My vengeance on them.

## End of the 9<sup>th</sup> year, 10<sup>th</sup> month, 11<sup>th</sup> day.

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