### Ezekiel

## Chapter 28

1Then the Word of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 2‘And you, O son of man;  
 Say this to the ruler of Tyre!  
 Tell him that thus says Jehovah:  
  
 ‘You have made your heart haughty  
 And proclaimed that you are [a] god;  
 For you dwell among the gods of the seas!  
 But you’re just [a] man, not [a] god,  
 Although you made your heart as that of [a] god.  
  
 3‘Are you someone who’s ‘wiser than DaniEl?’  
 Didn’t the wise teach you wisdom?  
 4Which was it… Intelligence or wisdom  
 That brought you all of your power  
 And your treasures of silver and gold?  
 5Which was it… Your trading or wisdom  
 That gave you your power, and made your heart proud?  
  
 6‘It’s because of this,’ says Jehovah…  
 ‘Since you made your heart as that of [a] god;  
 {Look!} I’m bringing strange pests from the nations to you,  
 7And they’ll empty their swords out against you…  
 Against all the beauty of your wisdom,  
 Which they will spread to destruction.  
  
 8‘Yes, they will soon cut you down,  
 And you’ll die the death of those who [have drowned]  
 In the heart of the sea.  
  
 9‘Will you say you’re [a] god to those who bring death?  
 No you’ll be just [a] man, not [a] god  
 In the hands of those who will pierce you.  
  
 10‘Then you’ll die among the uncircumcised  
 At the hands of those who are strangers.  
 For, this is what I’ve decreed,’ says Jehovah.’  
  
  
11And the Word of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 12‘O son of man,  
  
 ‘Sing this lament to the ruler of Tyre.  
 Tell him that thus says Jehovah:  
  
 ‘Yours is the image on a seal  
 That’s depicted as someone who’s wise  
 And who’s wearing a beautiful crown.  
  
 13‘The paradise of gods is the place where you dwell,  
 And every precious gem, you have owned…  
 Sardius, topaz, and emeralds;  
 Onyx, sapphires, and jaspers;  
 Silver, gold, amber, and agates;  
 Chrysolites, amethysts, and beryls.  
 Your treasuries are filled with onyx and gold,  
 And it’s also found in your stores.  
  
 14‘From the day that you were created,  
 A cherub was chosen on your behalf,  
 Since you were anointed by God.  
 Then you were allowed to dwell in [His] Tent…  
 For on God’s Holy Mountain, I set you,  
 And among stones of fire, you existed…  
 15Yes, you lived in perfection from the day you began  
 Until the time that I found you guilty.  
  
 16‘From the abundance of your trade, your storerooms were filled,  
 Then you became lawless and sinned.  
 So, you were removed from the mountain of God,  
 From among [those great] stones of fire,  
 And your cherub was taken away.  
  
 17‘Because of your beauty, your heart became proud…  
 Sins corrupted your wisdom and beauty.  
 So I tossed you down to the ground  
 To be an example to [others].  
  
 18‘Because of your many great sins  
 And the ways you’ve failed in your trading,  
 You have profaned all your temples.  
 So I’m sending fire into your midst,  
 Which will burn you and turn you to ashes…  
 And this will be witnessed by all.  
  
 19‘Then, all the nations will mourn over you,  
 For you’ll be destroyed and lost throughout the age.’  
  
  
20Well thereafter, the Word of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 21‘O son of man,  
  
 ‘Now, fix your face against Sidon,  
 And against it, you must now prophesy!  
 22Tell them that thus says Jehovah:  
  
 ‘{Look!} I am against you, O Sidon,  
 And by you, I’ll be glorified;  
 For you’ll know that I am Jehovah  
 When I bring My judgments against you…  
 And then, I’ll be holy among you.  
  
 23‘Against you, I’ll send death and blood,  
 And your people will fall in your squares,  
 As the men among you, those closest to you,  
 Will all be wounded by swords…  
 And you’ll know that I am Jehovah.  
  
 24‘IsraEl’s house will be gone…  
 Yes, that bitter barb and thorn of great grief.  
 And all those who are living around them,  
 Those who will bring dishonor to them,  
 Will know that I am Jehovah.’  
  
 25‘Jehovah says:  
  
 ‘Then I’ll regather the house of IsraEl  
 From the nations where they’ll be dispersed,  
 And I will be holy among them  
 Before all the peoples and nations.  
  
 ‘Thereafter, they’ll live in the land  
 That I gave to My servant Jacob.  
 26There they’ll plant vineyards and there they’ll build homes  
 In which, they’ll dwell in hope everafter,  
 When I bring My judgments upon all of those  
 By whom they had been abused,  
 All those who were living around them,  
 And they’ll know that I am Jehovah their God,  
 As well as the God of their fathers.’