### Ezekiel

## Chapter 30

1And the Word of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 2‘O son of man,  
  
 ‘You must now prophesy and tell them that thus says Jehovah:  
  
 ‘The day is near…  
 3The Day of Jehovah has approached…  
 Yes, that dark day of the Lord,  
 Which is also the time of the nations!  
 4For a sword will come against Egypt,  
 And Ethiopia will then be disturbed.  
  
 ‘Egyptians will be cut down and slain,  
 And her abundance will be carried away…  
 She’ll be ripped to her very foundations!  
  
 5‘Lydians, Persians, and Cretans,  
 Libyans, Ethiopians, and other mixed peoples  
 Will fall with My Covenant people,’ 6says Jehovah.  
 ‘For the supporters of Egypt will fall  
 Along with the insolence of her strength.  
  
 ‘From Migdol to SyEne, they’ll fall by the sword  
 7And lie amidst places that will be wiped away,  
 As the cities in her midst are destroyed.  
  
 8‘Then they’ll know that I am Jehovah  
 When I bring fire against Egypt,  
 And I break all those who have helped her.  
  
 9‘In that day, messengers will quickly arrive  
 And destroy any hope Ethiopians had.  
 For in that day, there’ll be a disturbance in Egypt…  
 And look, it has already happened!’  
  
 10‘Jehovah says:  
  
 ‘I’ll destroy many Egyptians  
 By the hand of King NebuChadNezzar.  
 11For, he and all of his people,  
 With pestilent ones from the nations,  
 Are being sent to destroy that whole land!  
  
 ‘They’ll empty their swords against Egypt  
 And fill its land with the slain!  
 12I’ll also desolate all their rivers  
 And give their lands to the wicked.  
  
 ‘I’ll wipe their land clean and empty it out,  
 Then I’ll give its fullness to strangers…  
 For I’m Jehovah, and I have declared that it’s so!  
  
 13‘Jehovah God says:  
  
 ‘Their disgusting things, I’ll destroy.  
 And to the [gods] of Memphis, I’ll provide rest…  
 For the rulers of Egypt won’t be anymore.  
  
 14‘To the land of Egypt, I will send fear,  
 And the land of Pathros, I will destroy.  
 Then to [the city of] Tanis, I will bring fire,  
 And I’ll punish The City of Gods.  
  
 15‘I’ll pour My rage out on [the city of] Sin,  
 Which is the stronghold of Egypt.  
 And the crowds of Memphis, I’ll also destroy.  
  
 16‘Upon Egypt, I will send fire,  
 And to [the city of] Sin, I’ll send a disturbance.  
 On The City of Gods, I will spit,  
 And I’ll take away all their water.  
  
 17‘The young men of the City of the Sun,  
 And those who live in BuBastum  
 Will also fall by the broadsword,  
 And their women will be taken as slaves.  
  
 18‘In TahPanHes, the days will grow dark  
 When I break the chiefdoms of Egypt.  
 Then the strength of her insolence will end  
 And she will be covered by clouds,  
 As her daughters are led off as captives.  
 19Yes, I have passed judgment on Egypt,  
 And they’ll know that I am Jehovah.’  
  
  
20Well, it was in the 11th year (in the 1st month and on the 7th day of the month) that the Word of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 21‘O son of man,  
  
 [‘Jehovah says:]  
  
 ‘I will break PharaOh’s ‘arm,’  
 {Look!} And for ways to heal him, they’ll search.  
 Then, upon his wounds, they’ll wrap dressings  
 In order to help him carry his sword.  
  
 22‘But because of this,’ says Jehovah;  
 ‘{Look!} Since I’m against Egypt’s Great House and King,  
 I will break both of his ‘arms,’  
 Including the one that’s [already] been broken,  
 And I’ll rip his sword from his hand.  
 23Then I’ll scatter the Egyptians among all the nations…  
 To many places, I’ll blow them away!  
  
 24‘But I’ll strengthen the ‘arms’ of Babylon’s king  
 And I’ll put My sword in his hand.  
 Then, he will use it on Egypt…  
 He’ll loot her loot and take all her spoils.  
  
 25‘I’ll strengthen the arms of Babylon’s king,  
 And the arms of PharaOh will fall.  
 Then they’ll know that I am Jehovah  
 When I give My sword to Babylon’s king,  
 And he lifts it against Egypt’s land.  
  
 26‘I’ll scatter Egyptians among all the nations…  
 To many places, I’ll blow them away…  
 And they’ll know that I am Jehovah!’