**CHAPTER** **15**

*As a vine cut down is fit for nothing but the fire; so it shall be with Jerusalem, for her sins.*

**1** And the word of the Lord came to me, saying:

**2** Son of man, what shall be made of the wood of the vine, out of all the trees of the woods that are among the trees of the forests?

**3** Shall wood be taken of it, to do any work, or shall a pin be made of it for any vessel to hang thereon?

**4** Behold it is cast into the fire for fuel: the fire hath consumed both ends thereof, and the midst thereof is reduced to ashes: shall it be useful for any work?

**5** Even when it was whole it was not fit for work: how much less, when the fire hath devoured and consumed it, shall any work be made of it?

**6** Therefore thus saith the Lord God: As the vine tree among the trees of the forests which I have given to the fire to be consumed, so will I deliver up the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

**7** And I will set my face against them: they shall go out from fire, and fire shall consume them: and you shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall have set my face against them.

**8** And I shall have made their land a wilderness, and desolate, because they have been transgressors, saith the Lord God.