

BOOK OF EZEKIEL OVERVIEW

Judgments Against
ISRAEL

CHAPTERS 1-24

Written **BEFORE** the Fall of Jerusalem

The covenant has been broken and God will soon pass judgment

CHAPTERS 25-32

Judgments Against NATIONS

Written **BEFORE** the Fall of Jerusalem

Though God will use the gentile nations to carry out His judgment on Israel, He will judge them as well

CHAPTERS 33-39 (6 Messages)

Restoration Upon Israel's REPENTANCE

Written **JUST AFTER** the Fall of Jerusalem

Israel goes into exile, and things look bad, but God will fulfill all His promises to Israel in the future CHAPTERS 40-48 (Temple Vision)

Reinstatement of TRUE WORSHIP

Written 14 YEARS
AFTER the Fall of
Jerusalem

Provides detailed specifications of a large Temple complex in the Millennium

CHAPTERS 1-32
Before the Fall of Jerusalem
Message centered on REPENTANCE

CHAPTERS 33-48
After the Fall of Jerusalem
Message centered on RESTORATION

DATED MESSAGES IN EZEKIEL

	MESSAGE	Ezekiel's Calender MM/DD/YY	Gregorian Calender MM/DD/YYY	HISTORICAL COMMENTS
01	Ek.1:1—3:15	04/05/05	07/31/593 B.C.	Heavens opened; Prediction of coming siege
02	Ek.3:16—7:27	04/12/05	08/08/593 B.C.	A word from YHWH; Watchman for Israel
03	Ek.8:1—19:14	06/05/06	09/17/592 B.C.	Inspection of the people's condition
04	Ek.20:1—23:49	05/10/07	08/14/591 B.C.	Elder's questions; Fresh reproofs
05	Ek.24:1—25:17	10/10/09	01/15/588 B.C.	Siege of Jerusalem began
06	Ek.26:1—28:26	0?/01/11	587 B.C.	Oracle against Tyre
07	Ek.29:1-16	10/12/10	01/05/587 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
08	Ek.29:17—30:19	01/01/27	04/26/571 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
09	Ek.30:20-26	01/07/11	04/29/587 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
10	Ek.31:1-18	03/01/11	06/21/587 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
11	Ek.32:1-16	12/01/12	03/03/585 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
12	Ek.32:17—33:20	0?/15/12	03/17/585 B.C.	Oracle against Egypt
13	Ek.33:21—39:29	10/05/12	01/09/585 B.C.	Reproof of unfaithful rulers
14	Ek.40:1—48:35	01/10/25	04/28/573 B.C.	A vision of the Temple

6 MESSAGE STRUCTURE

Ezekiel 33:23—33:33

"The word of the LORD came to me" (33:23) [Introduction]

"The word of the LORD came to me" (34:1) [Shepherds]

Ezekiel 35:1—36:15
"The word of the LORD came to me" (35:1)
[Mount Seir]

Ezekiel 36:16—37:14

"The word of the LORD came to me" (36:16)

[Dry Bones]

Ezekiel 37:15—37:28
"The word of the LORD came to me" (37:15) [Joined Sticks]

Ezekiel 38:1—39:29 "The word of the LORD came to me" (38:1)

[Gog Magog]

EZEKIEL 33-39 — 6 MESSAGES

MESSAGE 1 33:23-33:33	MESSAGE 2 34:1-31	MESSAGE 3 35:1-36:15	MESSAGE 4 36:16-37:14	MESSAGE 5 37:15-37:28	MESSAGE 6 38-39
	Regathered 34:10-13,16,22	Regathered 36:8-9, 12	Regathered 36:24, 28	Regathered 37:21, 25	Regathered 38:8,12; 39:27-28
	Fruitful Land 34:13-14, 26-27,29	Fruitful Land 36:11-12	Fruitful Land 36:29-30	Messiah 37:22, 24-25	Fruitful Land 38:13
<u> </u>	Messiah 34:15-17, 20-24	Whole House of Israel 36:10	No Famine 36:29-30	Peace w/ Nations 37:28	Dwell Securely 38:8,11,14; 39:26
Introduction	Dwell Securely 34:25-28	Peace w/ Nations 36:15	Peace w/ Nations 36:36	Whole House of Israel 37:11, 22	Peace w/ Nations 39:7, 21
Introd	No Famine 34:29	P Waste Places Rebuilt 36:10	Whole House of Israel 36:37	Cleansed From Sin, New Covenant 37:23-24	Whole House of Israel 39:22-23, 25
	Peace w/ Nations 34:29		P Waste Places Rebuilt 36:33-37	Temple Forever 37:26-28	Waste Places Rebuilt 38:8, 12
	Whole House of Israel 34:30		Cleansed From Sin, New Covenant 36:25-27, 29,33		Cleansed From Sin, New Covenant 39:29

PREDICTIVE and/or PROPHECY: Conditions to come during the millennial kingdom

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CONDITIONS and/or CONTEXT: Conditions Israel is experiencing during the millennial kingdom

PROPHECY & CONTEXT Ezekiel 33-39

Ezekiel 33-37) P

Predicts the 1,000 Year Kingdom

Daniel's 70th Week (7 Years)

1,000 Year Kingdom

Actual Context of Gog Magog Event During the Kingdom

(Ezekiel 38-39) c

(Shows the Result from the Gog Magog Event)

CONDITIONS DURING GOG MAGOG EVENT

REGATHERED (Ek.38:8,12,27-29)

- "...which had long been desolate; they were brought out of the nations, and now all of them dwell safely" (Ek.38:8)
- "to take plunder and to take booty, to stretch out your hand against the waste places that are again inhabited, and against a people gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell in the midst of the land." (Ek.38:12)

FRUITFUL LAND (Ek.38:13)

• "Sheba, Dedan, the merchants of Tarshish, and all their young lions will say to you, 'Have you come to take plunder? Have you gathered your army to take booty, to carry away silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods, to take great plunder?" (Ek.38:13)

DWELL SECURELY (Ek.8,11,14; 39:26)

- "...and now all of them dwell safely" (Ek.38:8)
- "You will say, 'I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates" (Ek.38:11)

PEACE WITH NATIONS (Ek.39:7,21)

• "...the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel" (Ek.39:7)

WHOLE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (Ek.39:22-23,25)

- "...thus says the Lord GOD, 'Speak to every sort of bird and to every beast of the field" (Ek.39:17)
- "...all the nations shall see My judgment which I have executed" (Ek.39:21)
- "So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day forward" (Ek.39:22)

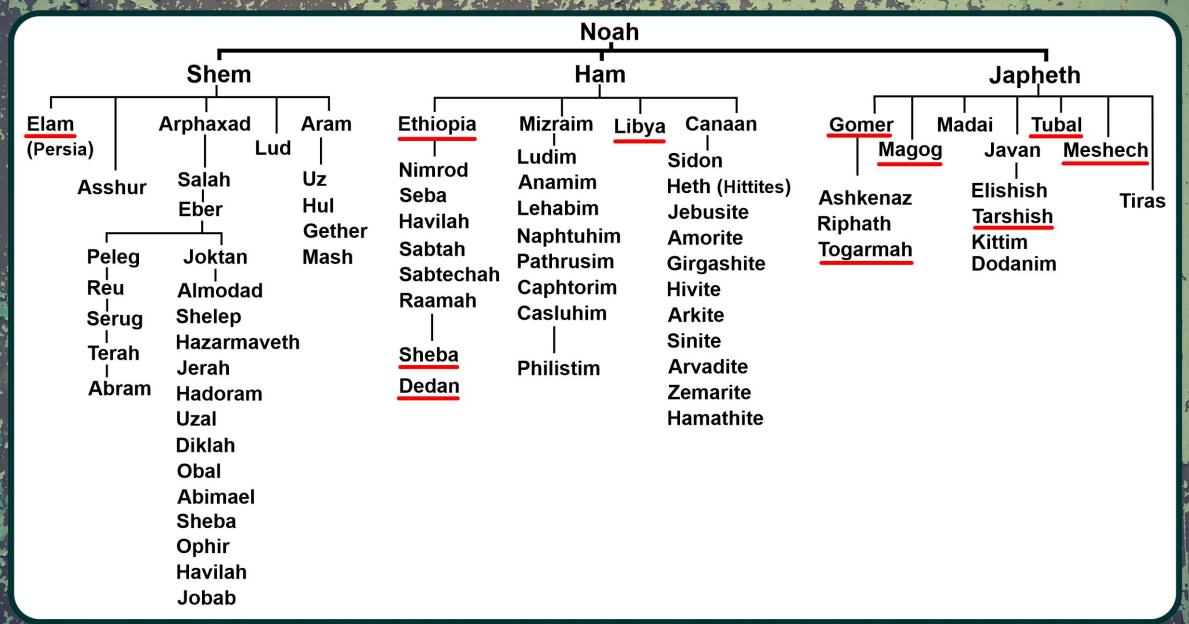
WASTE PLACES REBUILT (Ek.38:8,12)

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¹Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ²"Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophesy against him, ³and say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I am against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. ⁴I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords. *Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya are with them, all of them with shield and helmet; ⁶Gomer and all its troops; the house of Togarmah from the far north and all its troops—many people are with you. 13 Sheba, Dedan, the merchants of Tarshish, and all their young lions will say to you, 'Have you come to take plunder? Have you gathered your army to take booty, to carry away silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods, to take great plunder?'

EZEKIEL 38:1-6, 13

Table of Nations — Genesis 10



EZEKIEL 38 3 GENESIS 10 NAMES

Gog Magog (Ezekiel 38)	Table of Nations (Genesis 10)			
Meshech	Meshech	— Herodotus equates with Phrygians		
Tubal	Tubal	— Herodotus mentions two nations Moschoi and Tibarenoi		
Persia	Elam	— Some call it Elam.		
Ethiopia	Cush	— Some call it Cush.		
Libya	Put	— Some call it Put.		
Gomer	Gomer	— Founded the Greeks (Galls)		
Togarmah	Togarmah	— City Tegarama in upper Euphrates; Modern Gurun.		
Sheba	Sheba	— Mesopotamia		
Dedan	Dedan	— S. Mesopotamia		

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GOG MAGOG TIMING PROBLEMS

Not Pre-Seventieth Week

1. Yahweh's name never profaned after the Gog-Magog war

- "So I will make My holy name known in the midst of My people Israel, and I will not let them profane My holy name anymore. Then the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel." (**Ek.39:7**)
- "⁸And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. ⁹Then those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. ¹⁰And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth." (**Rv.11:8-10**)
- "who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God." (2Th.2:4)

2. Nations will recognize the sovereignty of God as a result of the Gog-Magog war

- "You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes." (**Ek.38:16**)
- "Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the LORD." (Ek.38:23)
- "So I will make My holy name known in the midst of My people Israel, and I will not let them profane My holy name anymore. Then the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel." (**Ek.39:7**)

3. Israel will recognize the Lord's sovereignty in totality after the Gog-Magog war

- "So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day forward." (Ek.39:22)
- 4. Ezekiel uses phrases saying Israel is already "dwelling securely" in "unwalled villages"

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4. There will be a great deal of destruction and conquest at that time

• "And it shall come to pass in all the land," Says the LORD, "That two-thirds in it shall be cut off and die, But one-third shall be left in it" (**Zc.13:8**)

is the gog magog event the same as armageddon?

SIMILARITIES

- 1. Large armies gathered against Israel divinely destroyed (Ek.38:18-23; Rv.19:11-16, 19-21)
- 2. Bird feast on the flesh of those destroyed (Ek.39:17-20; Rv.19:17-19, 21)

DIFFERENCES

- 1. The people of Israel are dwelling in security (Ek.38:8-13)
- 2. The Day of the Lord difficulties
 - Before Armageddon: The world is in great peril
 - Before Armageddon: Demon scorpion-like beings torment men for 5 months (Rv.9:1-10)
 - Before Armageddon: Four angels bound in Euphrates kill a third of mankind (Rv.9:13-19)
 - Before Armageddon: Painful sores on everyone who had the mark (Rv.16:2)
 - Before Armageddon: This is the Time of Jacob's Trouble (Je.30:7; Da.11:36-45)
 - Contrast: Gog comes to take a spoil (Ek.38:10-13). At Armageddon the target is Jesus
- 3. Revelation 20 tells us Gog Magog is after the 1,000 years (Rv.20:7-10)

Now when the <u>thousand years have expired</u>, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, <u>Gog and Magog</u>, to gather them together to battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea. They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. (**Rv.20:7-10**)