

## Jeremiah 25:15 – 28:17

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~ There are many people in the church today who have but one doctrine: the love of God. They don't seem to accept that one cannot love righteousness without hating unrighteousness. They seem incapable of processing that truth; so, they refuse to acknowledge the prophet Jeremiah, who clearly taught that God is going to pour out His wrath in judgment upon all of mankind. The church just doesn't handle these Scriptural topics, friends. I know it's not a nice subject. I recognize no one smiles and nods in agreement with the judgment of God, but, as one faithfully studies the Bible properly, correctly and completely, we're confronted by this truth again and again. In our last report, we concluded with Jeremiah announcing the Babylonian captivity was at hand for the southern kingdom of Judah; and he gave all the frightful details thereof. To say Jeremiah was not popular is a gross understatement. The children of Israel *HATED* Jeremiah, they *HATED* his message — and they wanted him gone — as in — dead.

At this time in which we are studying, Nebuchadnezzar had already taken away the first delegation of captives from Judah; and those who remained in the land under King Zedekiah were paying a tribute tax to Babylon. That tax tribute to Nebuchadnezzar had actually been in effect throughout the reigns of Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim and Jehoiachin — and now Zedekiah — all of which were bad kings that did evil in the sight of the Lord. After the good King Josiah died, the nation spiraled downward until their ultimate crash and complete demise under the rule of Zedekiah. The kings that succeeded Josiah were all peas in a pod — wicked, debased, immoral and corrupt men....

### **XXV**

***15 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.***

***16 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.***

***17 Then took I the cup at the LORD'S hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:***

~ The next verse, verse eighteen, begins the list of all the nations Jeremiah was speaking of and to. The “*wine cup of the wrath of God*” is a figure of speech most of the prophets use. It speaks of the sins of man. As man continues in rebellion against God, particularly in connection to the nations of the world, it is likened unto a cup filling with wrath. When the cup is full and overflows, then the judgment of God breaks forth upon the individual, nation, and even the entire world. That’s when the Lord forces them to drink the dregs of that cup; and they reap what they have sown in this life. That, naturally, constitutes the judgment of God....

***18 To wit, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as it is this day;***

***19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;***

***20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod,***

***21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,***

***22 And all the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the isles which are beyond the sea,***

***23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,***

***24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert,***

***25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,***

***26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.***

~ So, all of these nations were in line to be judged by God because they had rejected Him – and still do presently. See, God overrules in the affairs of individuals and in the national affairs of the world. While Jeremiah began by speaking of Judah and Israel, he is now giving a global prophecy; naming Babylon as the first great world power that would dominate the civilized world. As we read on, we learn Nebuchadnezzar brought all of these great powers from Egypt to Arabia to Judah under his sovereign rule and reign.

That's when all of these nations decided that, if they can come together, they could oppose and resist the Babylonian Empire. They honestly thought an alliance was the way to defeat Nebuchadnezzar. What they failed to consider was that Jeremiah was giving the Word of the Lord to them; and Jeremiah said, "... you will all be made subject to Babylon." Naturally, the nation's round about rejected the message Jeremiah gave – just as Judah had – and judgment came about exactly as Jeremiah had prophesied. The false prophets died. That's all a matter of written world history today....

***27 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.***

***28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ye shall certainly drink.***

***29 For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.***

***30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.***

***31 A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.***

***32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.***

***33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.***

***34 Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.***

***35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.***

***36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, shall be heard: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.***

***37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.***

***38 He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion: for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.***

**XXVI**

**1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying,**

**2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD'S house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD'S house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:**

**3 If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may repent me of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.**

**4 And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,**

**5 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending them, but ye have not hearkened;**

**6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.**

~ Now we find Jeremiah standing in the court of the temple; just as he previously stood in the gate of the temple when instructed to do so by God in chapter seven. Jeremiah is going to repeat the same message to King Zedekiah that he gave in the days of Jehoiakim. From this passage through chapter thirty is one message; the final Word of God to Judah before they went into captivity. See, God is very patient and longsuffering, friends. He is not willing that any should perish. Before judgment comes, one ALWAYS receives a message from the Lord through His chosen man. Just because we don't see fire and brimstone reign down from Heaven and destroy nations like Sodom and Gomorrah were, that doesn't mean it isn't going to happen.

We already know these people were coming to the temple, keeping the sacrifices, paying their tithes, and had an extravagant outward display of worship. The land was prospering, and these people just couldn't imagine that God would be so petty and petulant with them. However, God said, "... this is nothing but Baal worship." The hearts and lives were far from

God. Israel wasn't glorifying Him in any way, shape or form. They were making the nations round-about think they could be saved and blessed while continuing to live any old way they wanted to live. Sin was rampant in the land; and evil was being done openly in the streets. God told Jeremiah to speak out against it.

*"Repent"* in verse three does *NOT* mean God changed His mind; no, it means that if the people changed their hearts, then God would refrain from judging them. God never changes His mind – He will always punish sin – but He will also pardon the sinner who sincerely turns and seeks salvation. That tenet of Scriptural truth never changes, my beloved. Well, *"Shiloh"* in verse six was destroyed at this time; and Jerusalem has been a burden ever since – and it is right now today as I type this report and as you read it. Jerusalem is nothing more than a pawn on an international chessboard today. They should be a blessing to the world, but they reject the True and Living God – the Lord Jesus Christ; and, until that changes, there will be no peace or safety in the land – and they can never be a blessing to anyone....

***7 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.***

***8 Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die.***

***9 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? And all the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.***

***10 When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD'S house.***

***11 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.***

***12 Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying, The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard.***

***13 Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.***

***14 As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as seemeth good and meet unto you.***

***15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.***

***16 Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets; This man is not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.***

~ Things are going from bad to worse for Jeremiah now. Everyone from the princes to the priests to the people want Jeremiah exterminated. The princes apparently decide they will hear Jeremiah out in verse eleven; but the priests and the false prophets were of one mind. They had determined Jeremiah's death; and they weren't going to change their minds. When Jeremiah said the temple would be destroyed, that statement amounted to treason – not to mention heresy and blasphemy. The false prophets were saying, "... don't worry about it. Jerusalem is God's city and the temple is His so He won't let anything happen to us." Jeremiah said, "... you're entirely wrong." Well, in verse twelve, the people decided they would side with the princes; and Jeremiah spoke to them. Then, they suddenly all changed their minds in verse sixteen. It's a little bit complicated, but prayer

and reading this passage in your own Bible will straighten out your thinking if you will take the time to do so.

These people were disassociating their God-given religion from morality; and that's exactly what the church is doing today. Man thinks he can be a Christian yet have no fruit or witness; which only makes the Word of God a fetish to them. Well, my friends, you can be so fundamental that you lean backwards; but, when morality and the grace of God become divorced, all you have left is an empty, vain and meaningless philosophy of religion – and God calls it Baal worship. You might want to make some notes, my hyper-grace friends. The Bible is not a good luck charm to put in the window of your car so everyone can get the impression you are some super-duper saint. Many people do that – and God hates it; He says He hates it. If you don't think so, then guess who is wrong.

We've all heard stories of soldiers carrying a Bible in their uniform pockets, and the Bible blocking a bullet that hit the soldier, thereby saving their lives. Well, why didn't they just carry a phone book? A phone book would have provided better protection. I would ask how foolish man can be today, but I already know the answer to that; and the more religious they are, the more foolish they become. Our life and behavior is inextricably intertwined with our salvation. We can no more have one without the other than we can have an automobile without tires or a motor. It's perfect nonsense to believe we can be saved and not have any change in our heart and life. That's what the false prophets were telling the people of Judah in Jeremiah's day; and they all went into captivity very soon thereafter. When you get away from God He is going to judge you – sometimes severely. You'll do well to believe His Word now. In order to believe it, you'll have to actually know it; not just a disconnected verse here and a fractured passage there. That won't get it.

Interestingly, the false prophets and priests did not change their minds – but, because the princes *DID* change their minds – Jeremiah was spared from immediate execution. Self-professing believers today self-attest that they live a consistent Christian life. They say they believe the Bible, and proclaim they rest upon it – but they have no earthly idea what the Bible really says. They think they do; and they usually become insistent on their

error. They never study the Bible, that's for sure. Well, the organized religious rulers were the ones that wanted to put Jeremiah to death. It was the secular groups that were willing to hear him. It has been my experience – and I just happen to have a whole lot of it – that when a spiritual authority becomes corrupt and debased, it is *F-A-R* more evil than any dishonest, unscrupulous or unprincipled politician or businessman has ever been. Most Christians' claims of "*consistency*" is nothing in the world but a cover for bigotry and hypocrisy. The high priest, Caiaphas, was the first one to become responsible for handing Jesus over to Rome to be murdered. That type of thing will bring about the harshest judgment in the government of God. We really need to begin to recognize that in the church – immediately.

Vox Populi Vox Dei – meaning, the voice of the people is the voice of God – is a tragic fallacy today. Many people believe the misconception. The modern day mob will support the biggest fool in the world who is corrupt to the core and a personal mess in their life as long as that person has a great television personality. I thank God that the rule and reign of the Lord Jesus Christ over this earth isn't up for a vote; because, if it were, Jesus wouldn't stand a snowballs chance in Hades of being elected. No, Christ is going to establish His Kingdom by dashing the rebellion with a rod of iron like a potter's vessel. Jeremiah was telling everyone in his day that they were absolutely wrong in everything they did – and to amend their ways immediately. In turn, they laughed at him, at first – then they ignored him and, when they couldn't deal with the truth any longer, they plotted to kill him.

Now, to be perfectly clear, the only thing Jeremiah was sure of was that he was giving the Word of God. Jeremiah was totally unsure of himself, totally unsure of his life, and most unsure of the people. Understandably, he was frightened to death of his fellow countrymen. People are turning away from the Word of God today while they attempt to teach it; and those are the people that hate Andrew C. Hunt, too, by the way. They're dangerous. People label themselves Christians and proceed to dabble in the superstition of the zodiac, and the occult, without even realizing their lives are steeped in witchcraft, necromancy, and idolatry. Everyone seems to think they are the final authority on spiritual matters. That's why this study

through Jeremiah has been a tremendous blessing to me this time. See, the more I study the Word of God, the more I am ashamed by my complete ignorance.

I have come to the conclusion that I know *VERY* little about the Bible; of course, most other people came to that conclusion a long time ago — but I digress. Either way, those who never study the Bible, yet claim to be the final authority on it, are literally fools and idiots – not to mention hypocrites. They truly disturb me. They honestly give me an inferiority complex. Socrates said, “... *I am the wisest man in the world because I know that I do not know anything at all.*” Well, the rest of the people just don’t know that they don’t know anything. They really think they know something, usually everything, but they are even more ignorant of the Word of God than I am – and that’s abject ignorance, my friends.

He who knows not, but knows not that he knows not, is a fool to be shunned, according to secular philosophy. He who knows not, but knows that he knows not, is humble and teachable. He who knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep – wake him up. He who knows, and knows what he knows, is wise – follow that man. The only man I know of with the qualities of the latter is the Lord Jesus Christ. These previous twelve reports from Jeremiah have truly opened my eyes to how little I really know about everything from faith to grace to salvation to heresy to blaspheme to Baal worship....

***17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the people, saying,***

***18 Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be plowed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.***

***19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? did he not fear the LORD, and besought the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.***

**20 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son of Shemaiah of Kirjathjearim, who prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah:**

**21 And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king sought to put him to death: but when Urijah heard it, he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt;**

**22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.**

**23 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the common people.**

**24 Nevertheless the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.**

## **XXVII**

**1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,**

**2 Thus saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck,**

**3 And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of the Ammonites, and to the king of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;**

**4 And command them to say unto their masters, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;**

***5 I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are upon the ground, by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.***

***6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.***

***7 And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the very time of his land come: and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.***

~ I think every credible fundamental conservative scholar agrees this message was given in the days of Jehoiakim, and again in the days of Zedekiah. Either way, when Jeremiah prophesied that Judah was to bow and submit to the king of Babylon, that was tantamount to treason. Jeremiah made an unbelievable, mocking display of himself by putting on a wooden yoke of bondage and sending the same to all the other nations. Jeremiah was the only clear-cut voice of reason in that day, telling them to yield to Nebuchadnezzar; and, if they had yielded to Babylon – which they refused to do – but, if they had, they would have prevented mass genocide; and could have circumvented the destruction of the temple, possibly preventing their slavery at the hands of Nebuchadnezzar....

***8 And it shall come to pass, that the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith the LORD, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.***

***9 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanter, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:***

***10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.***

**11 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.**

**12 I spake also to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.**

**13 Why will ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?**

**14 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.**

**15 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD, yet they prophesy a lie in my name; that I might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.**

**16 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the LORD'S house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.**

**17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be laid waste?**

**18 But if they be prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make intercession to the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.**

**19 For thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city,**

***20 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;***

***21 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;***

***22 They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, saith the LORD; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.***

## **XXVIII**

***1 And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, and in the fifth month, that Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which was of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,***

***2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.***

***3 Within two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD'S house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:***

***4 And I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all the captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.***

***5 Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the people that stood in the house of the LORD,***

***6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels***

***of the LORD'S house, and all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.***

~ Alright, our Spiritual Safari ends this leg of our expedition through the entire Word of God with Jeremiah making it clear that Hananiah was not a prophet of God. In fact, Jeremiah flat out calls this false prophet a liar. Jeremiah said Hananiah would be dead within a year – and guess what? – Hananiah was dead seven months later. You would think that this would alert the people and make them understand Jeremiah was a true prophet of understanding, and who was calling the shots but, it didn't even slightly faze them. They replaced Hananiah faster than they could say good-bye; and, in our next report, we're going to talk more about this – because I believe that these United States had the greatest opportunity any nation in the history of mankind has ever had – but that opportunity has been squandered and is now gone. I know that statement is as unpopular as Jeremiah's message was in his day; but, the reason I say that is this: we have *NO* leaders today – not *ONE* single political leader – who trusts and obeys the True and Living God – the Lord Jesus Christ. They say they do, but they're liars; so, we know they don't. We are listening to the wrong voices. The man who speaks with authority from the Word of God is entirely ignored. That's where Israel went horribly wrong ignoring Jeremiah – and, my friends, it is now too late for America. They have ignored this message. You can just write that down....

***7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people;***

***8 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.***

***9 The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.***

***10 Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.***

**11 And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.**

**12 Then the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the prophet, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,**

**13 Go and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast broken the yokes of wood; but thou shalt make for them yokes of iron.**

**14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.**

**15 Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.**

**16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, because thou hast taught rebellion against the LORD.**

**17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month ~**

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