**Hosea - Lesson 2 Bible verses**

**Hosea 2:2-13**

**2**“Rebuke your mother, rebuke her, for she is not my wife, and I am not her husband. Let her remove the adulterous look from her face and the unfaithfulness from between her breasts.
**3**Otherwise I will strip her naked and make her as bare as on the day she was born; I will make her like a desert, turn her into a parched land, and slay her with thirst. **4**I will not show my love to her children, because they are the children of adultery. **5**Their mother has been unfaithful and has conceived them in disgrace. She said, ‘I will go after my lovers, who give me my food and my water, my wool and my linen, my olive oil and my drink.’ **6**Therefore I will block her path with thornbushes; I will wall her in so that she cannot find her way. **7**She will chase after her lovers but not catch them; she will look for them but not find them. Then she will say, ‘I will go back to my husband as at first, for then I was better off than now.’ **8**She has not acknowledged that I was the one who gave her the grain, the new wine and oil, who lavished on her the silver and gold—which they used for Baal. **9**“Therefore I will take away my grain when it ripens, and my new wine when it is ready. I will take back my wool and my linen, intended to cover her naked body. **10**So now I will expose her lewdness before the eyes of her lovers; no one will take her out of my hands. **11**I will stop all her celebrations: her yearly festivals, her New Moons, her Sabbath days—all her appointed festivals. **12**I will ruin her vines and her fig trees, which she said were her pay from her lovers; I will make them a thicket, and wild animals will devour them. **13**I will punish her for the days she burned incense to the Baals; she decked herself with rings and jewelry, and went after her lovers, but me she forgot,” declares the Lord.

**1 Kings 16:16-31**

**16**When the Israelites in the camp heard that Zimri had plotted against the king and murdered him, they proclaimed Omri, the commander of the army, king over Israel that very day there in the camp. **17**Then Omri and all the Israelites with him withdrew from Gibbethon and laid siege to Tirzah. **18**When Zimri saw that the city was taken, he went into the citadel of the royal palace and set the palace on fire around him. So he died, **19**because of the sins he had committed, doing evil in the eyes of the Lord and following the ways of Jeroboam and committing the same sin Jeroboam had caused Israel to commit. **20**As for the other events of Zimri’s reign, and the rebellion he carried out, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Israel?

**21**Then the people of Israel were split into two factions; half supported Tibni son of Ginath for king, and the other half supported Omri. **22**But Omri’s followers proved stronger than those of Tibni son of Ginath. So Tibni died and Omri became king. **23**In the thirty-first year of Asa king of Judah, Omri became king of Israel, and he reigned twelve years, six of them in Tirzah. **24**He bought the hill of Samaria from Shemer for two talents of silver and built a city on the hill, calling it Samaria, after Shemer, the name of the former owner of the hill. **25**But Omri did evil in the eyes of the Lord and sinned more than all those before him. **26**He followed completely the ways of Jeroboam son of Nebat, committing the same sin Jeroboam had caused Israel to commit, so that they aroused the anger of the Lord, the God of Israel, by their worthless idols.

**27**As for the other events of Omri’s reign, what he did and the things he achieved, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Israel? **28**Omri rested with his ancestors and was buried in Samaria. And Ahab his son succeeded him as king. **29**In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab son of Omri became king of Israel, and he reigned in Samaria over Israel twenty-two years. **30**Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes of the Lord than any of those before him. **31**He not only considered it trivial to commit the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, but he also married Jezebel daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and began to serve Baal and worship him.

**2 Kings 16:3**

**3**He followed the ways of the kings of Israel and even sacrificed his son in the fire, engaging in the detestable practices of the nations the Lord had driven out before the Israelites.

**2 Kings 17:16-17**

**16**They forsook all the commands of the Lord their God and made for themselves two idols cast in the shape of calves, and an Asherah pole. They bowed down to all the starry hosts, and they worshiped Baal. **17**They sacrificed their sons and daughters in the fire. They practiced divination and sought omens and sold themselves to do evil in the eyes of the Lord, arousing his anger.

**2 Kings 21:5**

**5**In the two courts of the temple of the Lord, he built altars to all the starry hosts.

**2 Kings 21:6**

**6**He sacrificed his own son in the fire, practiced divination, sought omens, and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did much evil in the eyes of the Lord, arousing his anger.

**Deuteronomy 32:4**

**4**He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he.

**Hosea 2:14-23**

**14**“Therefore I am now going to allure her; I will lead her into the wilderness and speak tenderly to her. **15**There I will give her back her vineyards, and will make the Valley of Achor a door of hope. There she will respond as in the days of her youth, as in the day she came up out of Egypt.

**16**“In that day,” declares the Lord, “you will call me ‘my husband’; you will no longer call me ‘my master.’ **17**I will remove the names of the Baals from her lips; no longer will their names be invoked. **18**In that day I will make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, the birds in the sky and the creatures that move along the ground. Bow and sword and battle I will abolish from the land, so that all may lie down in safety. **19**I will betroth you to me forever; I will betroth you in righteousness and justice, in love and compassion. **20**I will betroth you in

faithfulness, and you will acknowledge the Lord. **21**“In that day I will respond,” declares the

Lord—“I will respond to the skies, and they will respond to the earth; **22**and the earth will respond to the grain, the new wine and the olive oil, and they will respond to Jezreel. **23**I

will plant her for myself in the land; I will show my love to the one I called ‘Not my loved one.’
I will say to those called ‘Not my people,’ ‘You are my people’; and they will say, ‘You are my God.’”

**Revelation 3:20**

**20**Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

**1 Corinthians 1:9**

**9**God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Joshua 7:24-26**

**24**Then Joshua, together with all Israel, took Achan son of Zerah, the silver, the robe, the gold bar, his sons and daughters, his cattle, donkeys and sheep, his tent and all that he had, to the Valley of Achor. **25**Joshua said, “Why have you brought this trouble on us? The Lord will bring trouble on you today.” Then all Israel stoned him, and after they had stoned the rest, they burned them. **26**Over Achan they heaped up a large pile of rocks, which remains to this day. Then the Lord turned from his fierce anger. Therefore that place has been called the Valley of Achor ever since.

**John 14:6**

**6**Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Romans 5:1-5**

**5**Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, **2**through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. **3**Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; **4**perseverance, character; and character, hope. **5**And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

**2 Corinthians 5:17**

**17**Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John%2014%3A6%3B%20Romans%205%3A1-5%3B%202%20Corinthians%205%3A17&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28895a)] The old has gone, the new is here!

**2 Corinthians 11:2**

**2**I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him.

**Revelation 21:9-10**

**9**One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.” **10**And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

**Romans 2:28-29**

**28**A person is not a Jew who is one only outwardly, nor is circumcision merely outward and physical. **29**No, a person is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is circumcision of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the written code. Such a person’s praise is not from other people, but from God.

**Romans 4:11-12**

**11**And he received circumcision as a sign, a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. So then, he is the father of all who believe but have not been circumcised, in order that righteousness might be credited to them. **12**And he is then also the father of the circumcised who not only are circumcised but who also follow in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

**Romans 9:9**

**9**For this was how the promise was stated: “At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son.”

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

**31**“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. **32**It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. **33**“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. **34**No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

**Luke 22:20**

**20**In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

**1 Corinthians 11:25**

**25**In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

**Romans 1:17**

**17**For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

**Romans 3:21-22**

**21**But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. **22**This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile,

**Romans 3:23-24**

**23**for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, **24**and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

**8**For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— **9**not by works, so that no one can boast.

**Psalm 103:8**

**8**The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

**Lamentations 3:22-23**

**22**Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.
**23**They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

**Zechariah 13:9**

**9**This third I will put into the fire; I will refine them like silver and test them like gold. They will call on my name and I will answer them; I will say, ‘They are my people,’ and they will say, ‘The Lord is our God.’”

**John 17:3**

**3**Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

**Hosea 1:6**

**6**Gomer conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the Lord said to Hosea, “Call her Lo-Ruhamah (which means “not loved”), for I will no longer show love to Israel, that I should at all forgive them.

**Micah 7:18-19**

**18**Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. **19**You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

**Hosea 1:9**

**9**Then the Lord said, “Call him Lo-Ammi (which means “not my people”), for you are not my people, and I am not your God.

**Romans 9:25-26**

**25**As he says in Hosea: “I will call them ‘my people’ who are not my people; and I will call her ‘my loved one’ who is not my loved one,”**26**and, “In the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’ there they will be called ‘children of the living God.’”

**Romans 11:25-26**

**25**I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, **26**and in this way all Israel will be saved. As it is written: “The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob.

**Hosea 3:1-5**

**3**The Lord said to me, “Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another man and is an adulteress. Love her as the Lord loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes.” **2**So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and about a homer and a lethek of barley. **3**Then I told her, “You are to live with me many days; you must not be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will behave the same way toward you.”

**4**For the Israelites will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred stones,

without ephod or household gods. **5**Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the Lord their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the Lord and to his blessings in the last days.

**1 Peter 1:18-21**

**18**For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, **19**but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. **20**He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. **21**Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

**John 8:11**

11 “No one, sir,” she said. “Then neither do I condemn you,” Jesus declared. “Go now and leave your life of sin.”

**John 14:21**

**21**Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

**John 14:16-17**

**16**And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— **17**the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

**2 Corinthians 6:16**

**16**What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people.”

**1 Kings 9:1-9**

**9**When Solomon had finished building the temple of the Lord and the royal palace, and had achieved all he had desired to do, **2**the Lord appeared to him a second time, as he had appeared to him at Gibeon. **3**The Lord said to him: “I have heard the prayer and plea you have made before me; I have consecrated this temple, which you have built, by putting my Name

there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there. **4**“As for you, if you walk before me faithfully with integrity of heart and uprightness, as David your father did, and do all I command and observe my decrees and laws, **5**I will establish your royal throne over Israel forever, as I promised David your father when I said, ‘You shall never fail to have a successor on the throne of Israel.’ **6**“But if you or your descendants turn away from me and do not observe the commands and decrees I have given you and go off to serve other gods and worship them, **7**then I will cut off Israel from the land I have given them and will reject this temple I have consecrated for my Name. Israel will then become a byword and an object of ridicule among all peoples. **8**This temple will become a heap of rubble. All who pass by will be appalled and will scoff and say, ‘Why has the Lord done such a thing to this land and to this temple?’ **9**People will answer, ‘Because they have forsaken the Lord their God, who brought their ancestors out of Egypt, and have embraced other gods, worshiping and serving them—that is why the Lord

brought all this disaster on them.’”

**1 Kings 11**

**11**King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh’s daughter—Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. **2**They were from nations about which the Lord

 had told the Israelites, “You must not intermarry with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods.” Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love. **3**He had seven hundred wives of royal birth and three hundred concubines, and his wives led him astray. **4**As Solomon grew old, his wives turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the Lord his God, as the heart of David his father had been. **5**He followed Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, and Molek the detestable god of the Ammonites. **6**So Solomon did evil in the eyes of the Lord; he did not follow the Lord completely, as David his father had done. **7**On a hill east of Jerusalem, Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the detestable god of Moab, and for Molek the detestable god of the Ammonites. **8**He did the same for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and offered sacrifices to their gods. **9**The Lord

became angry with Solomon because his heart had turned away from the Lord, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice. **10**Although he had forbidden Solomon to follow other gods, Solomon did not keep the Lord’s command. **11**So the Lord said to Solomon, “Since this is your attitude and you have not kept my covenant and my decrees, which I commanded you, I will most certainly tear the kingdom away from you and give it to one of your subordinates. **12**Nevertheless, for the sake of David your father, I will not do it during your lifetime. I will tear it out of the hand of your son. **13**Yet I will not tear the whole kingdom from him, but will give him one tribe for the sake of David my servant and for the sake of Jerusalem, which I have chosen.”

**14**Then the Lord raised up against Solomon an adversary, Hadad the Edomite, from the royal line of Edom. **15**Earlier when David was fighting with Edom, Joab the commander of the army, who had gone up to bury the dead, had struck down all the men in Edom. **16**Joab and all the Israelites stayed there for six months, until they had destroyed all the men in Edom. **17**But Hadad, still only a boy, fled to Egypt with some Edomite officials who had served his father.

**18**They set out from Midian and went to Paran. Then taking people from Paran with them, they went to Egypt, to Pharaoh king of Egypt, who gave Hadad a house and land and provided him with food. **19**Pharaoh was so pleased with Hadad that he gave him a sister of his own wife, Queen Tahpenes, in marriage. **20**The sister of Tahpenes bore him a son named Genubath, whom Tahpenes brought up in the royal palace. There Genubath lived with Pharaoh’s own children.

**21**While he was in Egypt, Hadad heard that David rested with his ancestors and that Joab the commander of the army was also dead. Then Hadad said to Pharaoh, “Let me go, that I may return to my own country.” **22**“What have you lacked here that you want to go back to your own country?” Pharaoh asked. “Nothing,” Hadad replied, “but do let me go!” **23**And God raised up against Solomon another adversary, Rezon son of Eliada, who had fled from his master, Hadadezer king of Zobah. **24**When David destroyed Zobah’s army, Rezon gathered a band of men around him and became their leader; they went to Damascus, where they settled and took control. **25**Rezon was Israel’s adversary as long as Solomon lived, adding to the trouble caused by Hadad. So Rezon ruled in Aram and was hostile toward Israel. **26**Also, Jeroboam son of Nebat rebelled against the king. He was one of Solomon’s officials, an Ephraimite from Zeredah, and his mother was a widow named Zeruah. **27**Here is the account of how he rebelled against the king: Solomon had built the terraces and had filled in the gap in the wall of the city of David his father. **28**Now Jeroboam was a man of standing, and when Solomon saw how well the young man did his work, he put him in charge of the whole labor force of the tribes of Joseph.

**29**About that time Jeroboam was going out of Jerusalem, and Ahijah the prophet of Shiloh met him on the way, wearing a new cloak. The two of them were alone out in the country, **30**and Ahijah took hold of the new cloak he was wearing and tore it into twelve pieces. **31**Then he said to Jeroboam, “Take ten pieces for yourself, for this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: ‘See, I am going to tear the kingdom out of Solomon’s hand and give you ten tribes. **32**But for the sake of my servant David and the city of Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, he will have one tribe. **33**I will do this because they have forsaken me and worshiped

Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Molek the god of the Ammonites, and have not walked in obedience to me, nor done what is right in my eyes, nor kept my decrees and laws as David, Solomon’s father, did. **34**“‘But I will not take the whole kingdom out of Solomon’s hand; I have made him ruler all the days of his life for the sake of David my servant, whom I chose and who obeyed my commands and decrees. **35**I will take the kingdom from his son’s hands and give you ten tribes. **36**I will give one tribe to his son so that David my servant may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I chose to put my Name. **37**However, as for you, I will take you, and you will rule over all that your heart desires; you will be king over Israel. **38**If you do whatever I command you and walk in obedience to me and do what is right in my eyes by obeying my decrees and commands, as David my servant did, I will be with you. I will build you a dynasty as enduring as the one I built for David and will give Israel to you. **39**I will humble David’s descendants because of this, but not forever.’”

**40**Solomon tried to kill Jeroboam, but Jeroboam fled to Egypt, to Shishak the king, and stayed there until Solomon’s death. **41**As for the other events of Solomon’s reign—all he did and the wisdom he displayed—are they not written in the book of the annals of Solomon? **42**Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years. **43**Then he rested with his ancestors and was buried in the city of David his father. And Rehoboam his son succeeded him as king.

**1 Kings 12**

**12**Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had gone there to make him king. **2**When Jeroboam son of Nebat heard this (he was still in Egypt, where he had fled from King Solomon), he returned from Egypt. **3**So they sent for Jeroboam, and he and the whole assembly of Israel went to Rehoboam and said to him: **4**“Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but now lighten the harsh labor and the heavy yoke he put on us, and we will serve you.” **5**Rehoboam answered, “Go away for three days and then come back to me.” So the people went away. **6**Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who had served his father Solomon during his lifetime. “How would you advise me to answer these people?” he asked. **7**They replied, “If today you will be a servant to these people and serve them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your servants.” **8**But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him and consulted the young men who had grown up with him and were serving him. **9**He asked them, “What is your advice? How should we answer these people who say to me, ‘Lighten the yoke your father put on us’?” **10**The young men who had grown up with him replied, “These people have said to you, ‘Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but make our yoke lighter.’ Now tell them, ‘My little finger is thicker than my father’s waist. **11**My father laid on you a heavy yoke; I will make it even heavier. My father scourged you with whips; I will scourge you with scorpions.’” **12**Three days later Jeroboam and all the people returned to Rehoboam, as the king had said, “Come back to me in three days.” **13**The king answered the people harshly. Rejecting the advice given him by the elders, **14**he followed the advice of the young men and said, “My father made your yoke heavy; I will make it even heavier. My father scourged you with whips; I will scourge you with scorpions.” **15**So the king did not listen to the people, for this turn of events was from the Lord, to fulfill the word the Lord had spoken to Jeroboam son of Nebat through Ahijah the Shilonite. **16**When all Israel saw that the king refused to listen to them, they answered the king:

“What share do we have in David, what part in Jesse’s son? To your tents, Israel! Look after your own house, David!” So the Israelites went home. **17**But as for the Israelites who were living in the towns of Judah, Rehoboam still ruled over them. **18**King Rehoboam sent out Adoniram, who was in charge of forced labor, but all Israel stoned him to death. King Rehoboam, however, managed to get into his chariot and escape to Jerusalem. **19**So Israel has been in rebellion against the house of David to this day. **20**When all the Israelites heard that Jeroboam had returned, they sent and called him to the assembly and made him king over all Israel. Only the tribe of Judah remained loyal to the house of David. **21**When Rehoboam arrived in Jerusalem, he mustered all Judah and the tribe of Benjamin—a hundred and eighty thousand able young men—to go to war against Israel and to regain the kingdom for Rehoboam son of Solomon. **22**But this word of God came to Shemaiah the man of God: **23**“Say to Rehoboam son of Solomon king of Judah, to all Judah and Benjamin, and to the rest of the people, **24**‘This is what the Lord says: Do not go up to fight against your brothers, the Israelites. Go home, every one of you, for this is my doing.’” So they obeyed the word of the Lord and went home again, as the Lord had ordered. **25**Then Jeroboam fortified Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim and lived there. From there he went out and built up Peniel.**26**Jeroboam thought to himself, “The kingdom will now likely revert to the house of David. **27**If these people go up to offer sacrifices at the temple of the Lord in Jerusalem, they will again give their allegiance to their lord, Rehoboam king of Judah. They will kill me and return to King Rehoboam.” **28**After seeking advice, the king made two golden calves. He said to the people, “It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem. Here are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.” **29**One he set up in Bethel, and the other in Dan. **30**And this thing became a sin; the people came to worship the one at Bethel and went as far as Dan to worship the other.**31**Jeroboam built shrines on high places and appointed priests from all sorts of people, even though they were not Levites. **32**He instituted a festival on the fifteenth day of the eighth month, like the festival held in Judah, and offered sacrifices on the altar. This he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves he had made. And at Bethel he also installed priests at the high places he had made. **33**On the fifteenth day of the eighth month, a month of his own choosing, he offered sacrifices on the altar he had built at Bethel. So he instituted the festival for the Israelites and went up to the altar to make offerings.

**Isaiah 11:14**

**14**They will swoop down on the slopes of Philistia to the west; together they will plunder the people to the east. They will subdue Edom and Moab, and the Ammonites will be subject to them.

**Zechariah 12:1-10**

**12**A prophecy: The word of the Lord concerning Israel. The Lord, who stretches out the heavens, who lays the foundation of the earth, and who forms the human spirit within a person, declares: **2**“I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling. Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem. **3**On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves. **4**On that day I will strike every horse with panic and its rider with madness,” declares the Lord. “I will keep a watchful eye over Judah, but I will blind all the horses of the nations. **5**Then the clans of Judah will say in their hearts, ‘The people of Jerusalem are strong, because the Lord Almighty is their God.’ **6**“On that day I will make the clans of Judah like a firepot in a woodpile, like a flaming torch among sheaves. They will consume all the surrounding peoples right and left, but Jerusalem will remain intact in her place.

**7**“The Lord will save the dwellings of Judah first, so that the honor of the house of David and of Jerusalem’s inhabitants may not be greater than that of Judah. **8**On that day the Lord will shield those who live in Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the angel of the Lord going before them. **9**On that day I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem. **10**“And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son.

**Zechariah 13:1**

**13**“On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

**Zechariah 13:9**

**9**This third I will put into the fire; I will refine them like silver and test them like gold. They will call on my name and I will answer them; I will say, ‘They are my people,’ and they will say, ‘The Lord is our God.’”

**Romans 11:25-26**

**25**I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, **26**and in this way all Israel will be saved. As it is written: “The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob.