

## ~DESOLATE (774)

[English, deserted, isolated, bleak, uninhabited, wild, barren, Opposite of, populous]

- The Egyptians feared that their land would become **desolate** due to the lack of seed to plant to keep them alive, so they pleaded with Joseph to save them, for he had the seed.
- Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our land for bread, and we together with our land will become slaves to Pharaoh, and give us seed that we may live and not die and our land not be laid **desolate**. (Genesis 47:19)
- Yehowah chose not to drive the Canaanites out of the Promised Land in one year, so that the land itself would not become **desolate**, from lack of cultivation.
- I shall not drive them out from before you in one year, that the land may not become a **desolate** waste and the wild beasts of the field really multiply against you. (Exodus 23:29)
- If Israel failed to keep Yehowah God's commandments then he would lay their cities and their sanctuary **desolate**.
- And I shall indeed give your cities to the sword and lay your sanctuaries **desolate**, and I shall not smell your restful odors. (Leviticus 26:31)
- And I, for my part, will lay the land **desolate**, and your enemies who are dwelling in it will simply stare in amazement over it. (Leviticus 26:32)
- And you I shall scatter among the nations, and I will unsheathe a sword after you, and your land must become a desolation, and your cities will become a **desolate** ruin. (Leviticus 26:33)
- Later he reminded his people of his earlier promise to lay their land **desolate**, if they failed to keep his word.
- Have you not heard? From remote times it is what I will do. From bygone days I have even formed it. Now I will bring it in. And you will serve to make fortified cities **desolate** as piles of

ruins. (2 Kings 19:25)

- Job shows that the way the kings of the earth have kept, will lead only to **desolation** for themselves.
- With kings and counselors of the earth, those building **desolate** places for themselves. (Job 3:14)
- Job showed that Yehowah God had made all those assembling to him, **desolate**.
- Only now he has made me weary. He has made all those assembling with me **desolate**. (Job 16:7)
- To satisfy storm-stricken and **desolate** places and to cause the growth of grass to sprout? (Job 38:27)
- The Psalmist asked for the walled camp of his enemies to become **desolate**.
- Let their walled camp become **desolate**, in their tents may there come to be no dweller. (Psalms 69:25)
- The Psalmist showed that the sons of the one betraying his anointed one, would go begging in **desolate** places.
- And without fail let his sons go wandering about, and they must do begging, and they must look for food from their **desolate** places. (Psalms 109:10)
- At that time Yehowah's sheep-like people will graze in freedom and with ample good pasturage. Even the alien residents who are not God's people, will be cared for by Yehowah, and they will find ample spiritual food and shelter.
- And the male lambs will actually graze as in their pasture, and the **desolate** places of well-fed animals alien residents will eat. (Isaiah 5:17)
- The fortress cities of religious Christendom, will become like a place overgrown by the woodland around it. There will no longer be anyone supporting them, and no religious activity around these religious cities, and so they will degrade to a mere desolate waste. The

once powerful religious cities like the Vatican, Rome and Constantinople will eventually lie desolate.

- In that day his fortress cities will become like a place left entirely in the woodland, even the branch that they have left entirely on account of the sons of Israel, and it must become a **desolate** waste. (**Isaiah 17:9**)
- Then the **ways** in which mankind has walked for the last six-thousand years, will become **desolate**, with no one passing over them ever again. His covenant with the Gentile Nations, allowing them unimpeded rulership ever since **607 B.C.E.**, is over or broken. No longer will he allow mankind to teem together in disgusting cities, while ruining all of the earth. Men would no doubt continue in this course until it brought their complete ruin, but Yehowah has a glorious purpose, and he brings it in despite all of the resistance to it, and failures by mankind, and right on time.
- The highways have been made **desolate**. The one passing over the path has ceased. He has broken the covenant. He has contemned the cities. He has taken no account of mortal man. (**Isaiah 33:8**)
- Yehowah now changes the subject to himself. Yehowah is a God of prophecy who foretells things before they happen. The Assyrian King's conquest of Samaria was long ago foretold in his word the Bible. He foretold, that he would devastate their land and leave it a ruin.
- Have you not heard? From remote times it is what I will do. From bygone days I have even formed it. Now I will bring it in. And you will serve to make fortified cities become **desolate** as piles of ruins. (**Isaiah 37:26**)
- Since the end of the **First Century C.E.** when the Christian Congregation fell into apostasy, it has been in a devastated condition. Since then, the **Sun**, **Yehowah**, the **Moon**, **his angelic organization in heaven**, and the **Stars**, **his anointed sons in heaven and on earth**, have not given any **spiritual light** up until these Last Days. The true sons of Zion will come back to earth through a resurrection from the dead, and they will immediately get busy restoring the **desolated places of former times**, **the true Christianity of the First Century Congregation of God**. These **places** have lain **desolate** for generation after generation, but will now be restored.

- And they must rebuild the long-standing devastated places, they will raise up even the **desolated** places of former times, and they will certainly make anew the devastated cities, the places desolate for generation after generation. (**Isaiah 61:4**)
- Following the birth of the male child, the Son of Man, was slandered and abandoned by men, his brothers. Left entirely in the eyes of those who called him an apostate. He went off into a wilderness a desolate land, and there God fed the Son of Man for three and one-half times away from the face of Satan.
- No more will you be said to be a woman left entirely, and your own land will no more be said to be **desolate**, but you yourself will be called **My Delight Is in Her**, and your land **Owned as a Wife**. For Yehowah will have taken delight in you, and your own land will be owned as a wife. (**Isaiah 62:4**)
- Once the attack on false religion comes, then modern day Jerusalem, the world headquarters of Jehovah's Witnesses and their 110 branch offices worldwide, will become a desolate wilderness. **Zion** is right now, a place, where none of her sons are leading her. Soon, after the terrorists bring their attack on her, she will become a desolate waste.
- Your own holy cities have become a wilderness. Zion itself has become a sheer wilderness, Jerusalem a **desolate** waste. (**Isaiah 64:10**)
- Yehowah God promised through Jeremiah to make the land a **desolate** waste because his people failed to listen to his counsel.
- For this is what Yehowah has said; A **desolate** waste is what the whole land will become, and shall I not carry out a sheer extermination? (**Jeremiah 4:27**)
- Yehowah promised to make Jerusalem a **desolate** waste and a land not inhabited, if his people did not turn away from their badness.
- Be corrected, O Jerusalem, that my soul may not turn away disgusted from you, that I may not set you as a **desolate** waste, a land not inhabited. (**Jeremiah 6:8**)
- Yehowah God promised to make Jerusalem a **desolate** waste and nothing more than piles of stones, without an inhabitant.

- And I will make Jerusalem piles of stones, the lair of jackals, and the cities of Judah I shall make a **desolate** waste, without an inhabitant. (**Jeremiah 9:11**)
- Jeremiah warned of a report coming from the north, in order to make Jerusalem and Judah a **desolate** waste.
- Listen! A report! Here it has come, also a great pounding from the land of the north, in order to make the cities of Judah a **desolate** waste, the lair of jackals. (**Jeremiah 10:22**)
- Jeremiah prophesied against the shepherds of Israel who had turned his desirable share into a wilderness of a **desolate** waste.
- Many shepherds themselves have brought my vineyard to ruin, they have stamped down my share. They have turned my desirable share into a wilderness of a **desolate** waste. (**Jeremiah 12:10**)
- One has made it a **desolate** waste, it has withered away, it is desolated to me. The whole land has been made desolate, because there is no man that has taken it to heart. (**Jeremiah 12:11**)
- Yehowah promised to make the land of Babylon a **desolate** waste, for their earlier treatment of his covenant people.
- And it must occur that when seventy years have been fulfilled I shall call to account against the king of Babylon and against that nation, is the utterance of Yehowah, their error, even against the land of the Chaldeans, and I will make it **desolate** wastes to time indefinite. (**Jeremiah 25:12**)
- Jeremiah was promised that though the Promised Land was to become a **desolate** waste without an inhabitant, and it would be given to the Babylonians to control.
- And fields will certainly be bought in this land of which you people will be saying; It is a **desolate** waste without man and domestic animal. It has been given into the hand of the Chaldeans. (**Jeremiah 32:43**)

- **Jeremiah prophesied that Babylon would return to Jerusalem and burn it down, making all of Judah a **desolate** waste without an inhabitant.**
- **Here I am commanding, is the utterance of Yehowah, and I shall certainly bring them back to this city, and they must fight against it and capture it and burn it with fire, and the cities of Judah I shall make a **desolate** waste without an inhabitant. (Jeremiah 34:22)**
- **Yehowah let his anger and rage burn within Jerusalem, making her a **desolate** waste, and a devastated place.**
- **So my rage, and my anger, was poured out and it burned in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem, and they came to be a devastated place, a **desolate** waste, as at this day. (Jeremiah 44:6)**
- **Jeremiah prophesied that Rabbah of the sons of Ammon would become merely a mound of a **desolate** waste, and her dependent towns would be set afire.**
- **Therefore, look! There are days coming, is the utterance of Yehowah, and I will cause the alarm signal of war to be heard even against Rabbah of the sons of Ammon, and she will certainly become a mound of a **desolate** waste, and her dependent towns themselves will be set aflame in the very fire. And Israel will actually take possession of those in possession of him, Yehowah has said. (Jeremiah 49:2)**
- **Yehowah God promised through Jeremiah to make the dwelling places of Edom **desolate**.**
- **Therefore hear, O men, the counsel of Yehowah that he has formulated against Edom, and his thoughts that he has thought out against the inhabitants of Teman. Surely the little ones of the flock will be dragged about. Surely on account of them he will make their dwelling place become **desolate**. (Jeremiah 49:20)**
- **Hazor was to become a **desolate** waste, the lair of jackals, and no one would again dwell there.**
- **And Hazor must become the lair of jackals, a **desolate** waste to**

time indefinite. No man will dwell there, and in her no son of mankind will reside as an alien. (**Jeremiah 49:33**)

- **Jeremiah prophesied that Babylon would become a **desolate** waste without an inhabitant, and that people passing by her would whistle in amazement.**
- **Because of the indignation of Yehowah she will not be inhabited, and she must become a **desolate** waste in her entirety. As for anyone passing along by Babylon, he will stare in astonishment and whistle on account of all her plagues. (**Jeremiah 50:13**)**
- **Babylon's complete devastation was shown, by no one taking any of her stones to build up another city, but she would become **desolate** wastes to time indefinite.**
- **And people will not take from you a stone for a corner or a stone for foundations, because **desolate** wastes to time indefinite are what you will become, is the utterance of Yehowah. (**Jeremiah 51:26**)**
- **Jeremiah prophesied against Babylon that she would become nothing, but **desolate** wastes to time indefinite.**
- **And you must say; O Yehowah, you yourself have spoken against this place, in order to cut it off, so that there may come to be in it no inhabitant, either man or even domestic animal, but that she may become mere **desolate** wastes to time indefinite. (**Jeremiah 51:62**)**
- **Yehowah God promised false idol god worshipers that they would fall all around their altars and he would make them all a **desolate** waste.**
- **And your altars must be made **desolate** and your incense stands must be broken, and I will cause your slain ones to fall before your dungy idols. (**Ezekiel 6:4**)**
- **Yehowah promised to make Israel a **desolate** waste, worse than the wilderness toward Diblah.**
- **And I will stretch out my hand against them and make the land a **desolate** waste, even a desolation worse than the wilderness toward Diblah, in all their dwelling places. And they will have to**

know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 6:14](#))

- In both a physical and in a spiritual sense they will experience these things. They will find food to be scarce and will only be able to afford simple foods. Water they will drink with a degree of horror, always wondering if it is fit to drink, or if it may make them sick. Spiritually there will be no spiritual food except the Bible, and the truths that they used to partake of will fill them with horror when they reflect on what they led them to as a people.
- And you must say to the people of the land; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said to the inhabitants of Jerusalem upon the soil of Israel; With anxious care their bread they will eat, and with horror their water they will drink, in order, that its land may be laid **desolate** of its fullness because of the violence of all those dwelling in it. ([Ezekiel 12:19](#))
- Through Ezekiel Yehowah God promise to make their land a **desolated** waste, making them know that Yehowah was their God.
- And the inhabited cities themselves will be devastated, and the land itself will become a mere **desolate** waste, and you will have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 12:20](#))
- Yehowah postulated bringing wild beasts against their land to make it a **desolated** waste, with no one passing through.
- Or if I should make injurious wild beasts pass through the land and they actually bereaved it of children and it actually became a **desolate** waste without anybody passing through on account of the wild beasts. ([Ezekiel 14:15](#))
- Even if Noah, Job and Daniel were in Jerusalem when she fell they could save only themselves, for the land was destined to become a **desolate** waste.
- Were these three men in the midst of it, as I am alive, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah, neither sons nor daughters would they deliver. They, only they themselves, would be delivered and the land itself would become a **desolate** waste. ([Ezekiel 14:16](#))
- Their land was to become a **desolate** waste because they had acted unfaithfully toward their God.



- And I will make the land a **desolate** waste, for the reason that they have acted unfaithfully, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 15:8**)
- Yehowah God laid their land **desolate**, and filled it with the sound of his roaring against them.
- And he got to know his dwelling towers, and he devastated even their cities, so that the land was laid **desolate** and he filled it with the sound of his roaring. (**Ezekiel 19:7**)
- Because of their practice of child sacrifice, Yehowah God promised to make their land **desolate**.
- And I would let them become defiled by their gifts when they made every child opening the womb pass through the fire, in order, that I might make them **desolate**, in order, that they might know that I am Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 20:26**)
- For wanting to lay the sanctuary of Yehowah God **desolate**, Ammon received a judgment against them from Yehowah God.
- And you must say concerning the sons of Ammon; Hear the word of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; For the reason that you have said Aha! Against my sanctuary, because it has been profaned, and against the soil of Israel, because it has been laid **desolate**, and against the house of Judah, because they have gone into exile. (**Ezekiel 25:3**)
- Ezekiel prophesied that the land of Egypt would become a **desolate** waste, because her Pharaoh has taken the Nile River to himself.
- And the land of Egypt must become a **desolate** waste and a devastated place, and they will have to know that I am Yehowah, for the reason that he has said; To me the Nile River belongs, and I myself have made it. (**Ezekiel 29:9**)
- And I will make the land of Egypt a **desolate** waste in the midst of desolated lands, and its own cities will become a desolate waste in the very midst of devastated cities for forty years, and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them

among the lands. ([Ezekiel 29:12](#))

- They must also be made **desolate** in the midst of desolated lands, and its own cities will come to be right in the midst of devastated cities. ([Ezekiel 30:7](#))
- When I make the land of Egypt a **desolate** waste and the land is desolated of its fullness, when I strike down all the inhabitants in it, they will also have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 32:15](#))
- And I shall actually make the land a **desolate** waste, even a desolation, and the pride of its strength must be made to cease and the mountains of Israel must be laid desolate, with no one passing through. ([Ezekiel 33:28](#))
- And they will have to know that I am Yehowah when I make the land a **desolate** waste, even a desolation, on account of all their detestable things that they have done. ([Ezekiel 33:29](#))
- Yehowah prophesied through Ezekiel to lay Edom bare, making it a **desolate** waste.
- And you must say to it, this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Here I am against you, O mountainous region of Seir, and I will stretch out my hand against you and make you a **desolate** waste, even a desolation. ([Ezekiel 35:3](#))
- Your cities I shall set as a devastated place, and you yourself will become a sheer **desolate** waste, and you will have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 35:4](#))
- And I shall certainly make the mountainous region of Seir a **desolate** waste, even a desolation, and I will cut off from it the one passing through and the one returning. ([Ezekiel 35:7](#))
- Indefinitely lasting **desolate** wastes are what I shall make you, and your own cities will not be inhabited, and you people will have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 35:9](#))
- And you will have to know that I myself, Yehowah, have heard all your disrespectful things that you have said concerning the mountains of Israel, saying; They have been laid **desolate**. To us they have been given for food. ([Ezekiel 35:12](#))

- This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; At the same time that all the earth rejoices, a **desolate** waste is what I shall make of you. ([Ezekiel 35:14](#))
- Just as there was rejoicing on your part at the inheritance of the house of Israel because it was laid **desolate**, the same thing I shall make of you. A desolate waste is what you will become, O mountainous region of Seir, even all Edom, all of it, and they will have to know that I am Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 35:15](#))
- Yehowah showed that while Israel and Judah lay **desolate**, the surrounding nations snapped at her, wanting to take her land to themselves.
- Therefore prophesy, and you must say; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; For the reason, even for the reason that there has been a lying **desolate** and a snapping at you from all sides, in order for you to become a possession to the remaining ones of the nations and you continue being talked about with the tongue and there is a bad report among people. ([Ezekiel 36:3](#))
- Ezekiel prophesied to the mountains and hills of Israel, her governmental leaders, that had been laid **desolate**, and to her abandoned cities during the exile.
- Therefore, O mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah! This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said to the mountains and to the hills, to the streambeds and to the valleys and to the devastated places that were laid **desolate** and to the abandoned cities that have come to be for plunder and for ridicule to the remaining ones of the nations that are round about. ([Ezekiel 36:4](#))
- Though Israel was **desolated** during the exile, it would again be cultivated.
- And the **desolated** land itself will be cultivated, whereas it had become a desolate waste before the eyes of every passerby. ([Ezekiel 36:34](#))

- People seeing the Promised Land after the long exile would remark how the long-**desolated** land had regenerated like the Garden of Eden.
- And people will certainly say; That land yonder which was laid **desolate** has become like the garden of Eden, and the cities that were a waste and that were laid desolate and that were torn down are fortified, they have become inhabited. ([Ezekiel 36:35](#))
- Then the nations round about Israel would realize that Yehowah God had rebuilt what he had previously torn down, and replanted what had been laid **desolate**.
- And the nations that will be left remaining round about you will have to know that I myself, Yehowah, have built the things torn down, I have planted what has been laid **desolate**. I myself, Yehowah, have spoken and I have done it. ([Ezekiel 36:36](#))
- Daniel showed, that once sacrifice and gift offering ceased within Israel, that from them till the extermination of his people, their land would lay **desolate**.
- And he must keep the covenant in force for the many for one week, and at the half of the week he will cause sacrifice and gift offering to cease. And upon the wing of disgusting things there will be the one causing desolation, and until an extermination, the very thing decided upon will go pouring out also upon the one lying **desolate**. ([Daniel 9:27](#))
- Hosea prophesied that Yehowah God would lay **desolate** the vine of his people, because she attributed her blessing to her passionate lovers, false idol gods.
- And I will lay **desolate** her vine and her fig tree, of which she has said; They are a gift to me, which my passionate lovers have given to me, and I will set them as a forest, and the wild beast of the field will certainly devour them. ([Hosea 2:12](#))
- Joel prophesied how before the Day of Yehowah, once abundant stores of foods would dry up, and their storehouses would become **desolate**.
- Dried figs have shriveled under their shovels. Storehouses have been laid **desolate**. Barns have been torn down, for the grain has

dried up. (Joel 1:17)

- Joel showed that before the advancing insect army the land that once looked like the Garden of Eden, would become a **desolate** waste, with no one escaping.
- Ahead of it a fire has devoured, and behind it a flame consumes. Like the garden of Eden the land is ahead of it, but behind it is a **desolate** wilderness, and there has also proved to be nothing thereof escaping. (Joel 2:3)
- Joel also prophesied that Egypt would become a **desolate** waste.
- As regards Egypt, a **desolate** waste it will become, and as regards Edom, a wilderness of desolate waste it will become, because of the violence to the sons of Judah, in whose land they shed innocent blood. (Joel 3:19)
- Through Amos, Yehowah God promised to lay the high places of Isaac **desolate**, and to devastate the sanctuaries of Israel.
- And the high places of Isaac will certainly be laid **desolate**, and the sanctuaries themselves of Israel will be devastated, and I will rise up against the house of Jeroboam with a sword. (Amos 7:9)
- Through Micah Yehowah God promised to make the idols of Israel a **desolate** waste.
- And her graven images will all be crushed to pieces, and all the gifts made to her as her hire will be burned in the fire, and all her idols I shall make a **desolate** waste. For from the things given as the hire of a prostitute she collected them, and to the thing given as the hire of a prostitute they will return. (Micah 1:7)
- He also promised to make their land a **desolate** waste, on account of the badness of its inhabitants.
- And the land must become a **desolate** waste on account of its inhabitants, because of the fruit of their dealings. (Micah 7:13)
- Zephaniah showed, that then their wealth must come to be for pillage, and their houses will become a **desolate** waste. They will build

houses, but not have the occupancy of them, and they will indeed plant vineyards, but they will not be around to drink the wine of them.

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- Zephaniah showed that the cities of the Philistines would become a **desolate** waste.

- For, as regards Gaza, an abandoned city is what she will become, and Ashkelon is to be a **desolate** waste. As regards Ashdod, at high noon they will drive her out, and as regards Ekron, she will be uprooted. (**Zephaniah 2:4**)

- Zephaniah prophesied that Moab herself would become a **desolate** waste like Sodom and Gomorrah.

- Therefore, as I am alive, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies, the God of Israel, Moab herself will become just like Sodom, and the sons of Ammon like Gomorrah, a place possessed by nettles, and a salt pit, and a **desolate** waste, even to time indefinite. The remaining ones of my people will plunder them, and the remnant of my own nation will take possession of them. (**Zephaniah 2:9**)

- Zephaniah also prophesied that Nineveh would become a **desolate** waste, and a waterless region like a wilderness.

- And he will stretch out his hand toward the north, and he will destroy Assyria. And he will make Nineveh a **desolate** waste, a waterless region like the wilderness. (**Zephaniah 2:13**)

- Zechariah showed the Yehowah God hurled his people throughout the nations, and left their land **desolate** behind them.

- And I proceeded tempestuously to hurl them throughout all the nations that they had not known, and the land itself has been left **desolate** behind them, with no one passing through and with no one returning, and they proceeded to make the desirable land an object of astonishment. (**Zechariah 7:14**)

- The Psalmist prophesied about the one apostle of Jesus who betrayed him, that his lodging place would become **desolate**, and someone else would come in to take his office of oversight.
- For it is written in the book of Psalms: Let his lodging place become **desolate**, and let there be no dweller in it, and, His office of oversight let someone else take. (**Acts of Apostles 1:20**)
- Paul showed that the children of the **desolate** woman, the woman left by Yehowah God their husbandly owner, the Jews, were more numerous than the children of the heavenly angelic organization, who still had the husbandly owner.
- For it is written: Be glad, you barren woman who does not give birth, break out and cry aloud, you woman who does not have childbirth pains, for the children of the **desolate** woman are more numerous than those of her who has the husband. (**Galatians 4:27**)