

## ~PLUNDER (622)

[English, rob, steal, loot, pillage, raid, ransack]

- Israelites feared that they would become **plunder** wandering around nations a wilderness and wanted to return to Egypt.
- And why is Yehowah bringing us to this land to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will become **plunder**. Is it not better for us to return to Egypt? (**Numbers 14:3**)
- Later because of their faithlessness Yehowah told them that their children whom they feared would become **plunder** to others, would see the Promised Land, but they themselves would not.
- And your little ones who you said would become **plunder**, these also I shall certainly bring in, and they will indeed know the land that you have rejected. (**Numbers 14:31**)
- As for your little ones of whom you said; **Plunder** they will become! And your sons who today do not know good or bad, these will go in there, and to them I shall give it, and they will take possession of it. (**Deuteronomy 1:39**)
- The **plunder** Israel took from their expedition in war amounted to 675,000 of the flock.
- And the booty, the rest of the **plunder** that the people of the expedition had taken as plunder, amounted to six hundred and seventy-five thousand of the flock. (**Numbers 31:32**)
- The men who fought in the army took **plunder** for themselves.
- The men of the army had taken **plunder** each for himself. (**Numbers 31:53**)
- Israel conquered Canaan, but let no one remain except the flocks which they took as **plunder**.
- Only the domestic animals did we take as **plunder** for ourselves, together with the spoil of the cities that we had captured. (**Deuteronomy 2:35**)

- And all the domestic animals and the spoil of the cities we took as **plunder** for ourselves. (**Deuteronomy 3:7**)
- Only the women and the little children and the domestic animals and everything that happens to be in the city, all its spoil you will **plunder** for yourself, and you must eat the spoil of your enemies, whom Yehowah your God has given to you. (**Deuteronomy 20:14**)
- Joshua told the men of Israel to do to Ai, as they had done to Jericho, only in Ai they could take **plunder** for themselves.
- And you must do to Ai and to its king just as you did to Jericho and its king. Only you people may **plunder** its spoil and its domestic animals for yourselves. Set an ambush of yours against the city at its rear. (**Joshua 8:2**)
- Saul lead his army to go down to the Philistines to **plunder** them by night.
- Later Saul said; Let us go down after the Philistines by night and **plunder** them until the morning lightens up, and let us not leave a single one among them. To this they said; Anything that is good in your eyes do. Then the priest said; Let us approach here to the true God. (**1 Samuel 14:36**)
- After a famine the people **plundered** the camp of the Syrians, and foodstuffs became plentiful.
- And the people proceeded to go out and **plunder** the camp of the Syrians, and so a seah measure of fine flour came to be worth a shekel, and two seah measures of barley worth a shekel, according to the word of Yehowah. (**2 Kings 7:16**)
- Yehowah God promised to Israel to leave them for their enemies to **plunder** and pillage.
- And I shall indeed forsake the remnant of my inheritance and give them into the hand of their enemies, and they will simply become **plunder** and pillage to all their enemies. (**2 Kings 21:14**)
- Israel struck all the cities round about Gerar and they went **plundering** them and taking much **plunder**.
- Further, they struck all the cities round about Gerar, for the

dread of Yehowah had come to be upon them, and they went **plundering** all the cities, for there happened to be much to **plunder** in them. (2 Chronicles 14:14)

- Jehospaphat and his people came to **plunder** them and found much spoil and many desireable articles.
- So Jehoshaphat and his people came to **plunder** the spoil on them, and they got to find among them in abundance both goods and clothing and desirable articles, and they went stripping them off for themselves until they could carry no more. And it came to be three days that they were plundering the spoil, for it was abundant. (2 Chronicles 20:25)
- The troops Amaziah had sent, went throughout Judah killing 3,000, and taking much **plunder**.
- As for the members of the troop whom Amaziah had sent back from going with him to the war, they began making raids upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria clear to Beth-horon, and went striking down three thousand of them and taking a great **plunder**. (2 Chronicles 25:13)
- The sons of Israel took 200,000 captive along with a great deal of spoil as **plunder**.
- Moreover, the sons of Israel took two hundred thousand of their brothers captive, women, sons and daughters, and also a great deal of spoil they took from them as **plunder**, after which they brought the spoil to Samaria. (2 Chronicles 28:8)
- The armed men left the captives and all the plunder before the princes and all the congregation.
- Accordingly the armed men left the captives and the **plunder** before the princes and all the congregation. (2 Chronicles 28:14)
- Ezra appologized to Yehowah God in prayer for the error of his people this being the reason why they had become **plunder** to other peoples.
- From the days of our forefathers we have been in great guiltiness until this day, and because of our errors we have been given, we ourselves, our kings, our priests, into the hand of the kings of the

lands with the sword, with the captivity and with the **plunder** and with shame of face, just as this day. ([Ezra 9:7](#))

- **Later Nehemiah did likewise, realizing that they were then an object of contempt before Yehowah God, and were serving only as **plunder** to other peoples.**
- **Hear, O our God, for we have become an object of contempt, and make their reproach return upon their own head, and give them to the **plunder** in the land of captivity. ([Nehemiah 4:4](#))**
- **The first order of the king of Persia allowed foreign peoples to **plunder** the Jews on a certain day.**
- **And there was a sending of the letters by means of couriers to all the kings jurisdictional districts, to annihilate, to kill and to destroy all the Jews, young man as well as old man, little ones and women, on one day, on the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar, and to **plunder** the spoil of them. ([Esther 3:13](#))**
- **Later upon realizing what he had done, the king issued another order allowing the Jews to defend themselves and to **plunder** their enemies.**
- **That the king granted to the Jews that were in all the different cities to congregate themselves and stand for their souls, to annihilate and kill and destroy all the force of the people and jurisdictional district that were showing hostility to them, little ones and women, and to **plunder** their spoil. ([Esther 8:11](#))**
- **The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the one showing hostility to the Jews, they killed, but on the **plunder** they did not lay their hand. ([Esther 9:10](#))**
- **And the Jews that were in Shushan proceeded to congregate themselves also on the fourteenth day of the month Adar, and they got to kill in Shushan three hundred men, but on the **plunder** they did not lay their hand. ([Esther 9:15](#))**
- **As for the rest of the Jews that were in the jurisdictional districts of the king, they congregated themselves, and there was a stand for their souls, and there was an avenging of themselves upon their enemies and a killing among those hating them of seventy-**

five thousand, but on the **plunder** they did not lay their hand.  
(**Esther 9:16**)

- The Psalmist prophesied that the usurer would lay out traps for the offspring of the man who betrayed the Messiah, making **plunder** of them.
- Let the usurer lay out traps for all that he has, and let strangers make **plunder** of his product of toil. (**Psalms 109:11**)
- False religious leaders have used their power of office to push away lowly ones from a legal case and obtaining justice, making the widows their spoil and **plundering** fatherless boys.
- In order to push away the lowly ones from a legal case and to wrest away justice from the afflicted ones of my people, for the widows to become their spoil, and that they may **plunder** even the fatherless boys! (**Isaiah 10:2**)
- Jehovah's Witnesses have become an **apostate nation**, because they refuse to even listen to counsel coming from God through God appointed servants. Instead they call his servants apostates, and then cover over the truth. They claim to be God's earthly **organization**, but God will **command** for them to be **plundered**, and for the worldly nations to trample them in the streets like clay.
- Against an apostate nation I shall send him, and against the people of my fury I shall issue a command to him, to take much spoil and to take much **plunder** and to make it a trampling place like the clay of the streets. (**Isaiah 10:6**)
- Upon the repentant remnant's return to the Promised Land, they would subjugate other **false religious nations**, like the Philistines, Ammon, Moab and Edom. True worship would then be made to rise above these once powerful religious nations.
- In our modern day after the fall of all of **false religious nations**, Catholics, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Baptists etc, Yehowah will elevate true worship in all the earth, raising it on high, and peoples will stream to it.
- And they must fly at the shoulder of the Philistines to the west, together they will **plunder** the sons of the East. Edom and Moab will be those upon whom they will thrust out their hand, and the

sons of Ammon will be their subjects. (Isaiah 11:14)

- But this old system has neither a set course, or firm direction, it will therefore not meet its goals. When it falls there will be spoil in abundance to be divided up, so that even lame ones will actually collect up a great amount of **plunder**.
- Your ropes must hang loose, their mast they will not hold firmly erect, they have not spread a sail. At that time even spoil in abundance will have to be divided up, the lame ones themselves will actually take a big **plunder**. (Isaiah 33:23)
- Today his people allow themselves to be pillaged and **plundered** spiritually by the clergy classes, who take this **delight** away from them, and then tell them; We will tell you everything you need to do in true worship.
- All of the **sects** of Christendom and Judaism have **trapped** them in **holes**, of **limited traditional understanding**, and in **houses of detention** where they are kept from the glorious word of truth. All of the clergy are the same, they **plunder** them without a deliverer.
- But it is a people **plundered** and pillaged, all of them being trapped in the holes, and in the houses of detention they have been kept hidden. They have come to be for plunder without a deliverer, for pillage without anyone to say; Bring back! (Isaiah 42:22)
- Why then has he allowed his **sons** to come to be for **plunder**? Because they refused discipline!
- Is Israel a servant, or a slave born in the household? Why is it that he has come to be for **plunder**? (Jeremiah 2:14)
- Yehowah God promised through Jeremiah to give Israel's resources and treasures for **plunder**, because of their sins against him throughout their land.
- Your resources and your treasures I shall give for mere **plunder**, not for a price, but for all your sins, even in all your territories. (Jeremiah 15:13)
- On the mountains in the field. Your resources, all your treasures, I shall give for mere **plunder**, your high places because of sin

throughout all your territories. (**Jeremiah 17:3**)

- And I will give all the stored-up things of this city and all its product and all its precious things, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah I am going to give into the hand of their enemies. And they will certainly **plunder** them and take them and bring them to Babylon. (**Jeremiah 20:5**)
- And their camels must become a **plunder**, and the multitude of their livestock a spoil. And I will scatter them to every wind, those who have their hair clipped at the temples, and from all regions near it I shall bring in their disaster, is the utterance of Yehowah. (**Jeremiah 49:32**)
- When Jehovah's Witnesses throw their books and magazines away then **strangers** will take hold of them and really **profane** them for they have no spiritual appreciation. Their old books and magazines will be sold in old bookstores for next to nothing.
- And I will give it into the hand of the strangers for **plunder** and to the wicked ones of the earth for spoil, and they will certainly profane it. (**Ezekiel 7:21**)
- Their own organization, members of the Great Crowd now who will become new anointed ones, will rise up as a congregation against these wicked older anointed ones and all who continue following them and will expose them and their death-dealing ways. Then their remaining organization will only serve as **plunder** to all of the nations. No one will want to join them ever again.
- For this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; There will be the bringing up of a congregation against them and a making of them a frightful object and something to **plunder**. (**Ezekiel 23:46**)
- Christendom is not today and it never has been God's covenant people. At the end of the **First Century** of our Common Era true Christianity fell into apostasy and so the thousand and more sects of today are simply not sons of the covenant. Yehowah God shut off his spiritual light from them all nineteen hundred years ago and right up until today they still remain in their apostate practices.
- Therefore here I am, I have stretched out my hand against you, and I will give you as something to **plunder** to the nations, and I

will cut you off from the peoples and destroy you from the lands. I shall annihilate you, and you will have to know that I am Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 25:7**)

- No more will she dominate the world's commerce and economic systems. Fishermen will use her bare crags to dry their nets. Her prominence over world economic markets will be gone forever. Other nations will **plunder** her resources by taking over and controlling the same markets she once controlled.
- Jehovah's Witnesses will also be **plundered** by many nations because the destruction of this Great City will begin the Great Tribulation and the worldwide attack against false religion, since it was religious terrorists that precipitated its fall. Their vast resources all over the world will become plunder for all of the nations.
- A drying yard for dragnets is what she will become in the midst of the sea. For I myself have spoken, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah, and she must become an object of **plunder** for the nations. (**Ezekiel 26:5**)
- Jehovah's Witnesses books and magazines, her valuable printing presses, Kingdom Halls, bank accounts and many other valuable properties will all go for **plunder**. The **walls, the judgments made in the courts of the nations in her favor**, will all be overturned.
- She will be dismantled and then thrown into the sea. The **sea, represents all those who mix truth with falsehood thus making it undrinkable**. Thus she will become just another part of false religion when she meets her end.
- And they will certainly spoil your resources and **plunder** your sales goods, and tear down your walls, and your desirable houses they will pull down. And your stones and your woodwork and your dust they will place in the very midst of the water. (**Ezekiel 26:12**)
- The sheep belong to Yehowah and the shepherd's only approved role is to take care of the sheep. They do not belong to the shepherd so that he can plunder them and live off of them. Once sheep are gathered into a fold they continue to need loving care and attention. When they fail to receive this care they become prey for the religious **beasts of the field** who prey upon them and **plunder** them.



- As I am alive, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah, surely for the reason that my sheep became something for **plunder** and my sheep continued to be food for every wild beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, and my shepherds did not search for my sheep, but the shepherds kept feeding themselves, and my own sheep they did not feed. (**Ezekiel 34:8**)
- The counsel of the Bible is clear for a sheep not to think too much of himself or to be involved in pushing others around. How Yehowah will effect judgment of any sheep who practice these things is clearly marked out in the Bible. The real course of wisdom then is to be modest and not to think too much of ourselves or of what we **know**.
- And I will save my sheep, and they will no longer become something for **plunder**, and I will judge between a sheep and a sheep. (**Ezekiel 34:22**)
- The nations have **plundered** mankind by means of false religion. They do this when religious leaders bless warfare and send millions of young men off to die. The **wild beasts** of the earth that should have spirituality but they behave on a spiritual level just like beasts of the field, devouring their own flocks. Yehowah will make them both cease out of the land and bring in a time of real peace and security.
- And they will no longer become something to **plunder** for the nations, and as regards the wild beast of the earth, it will not devour them, and they will actually dwell in security, with no one to make them tremble. (**Ezekiel 34:28**)
- These scattered ones he refers to as the **mountains**, the **leaders of his people**, the **valleys**, the **lowly ones among them** and their **streambeds**, the **sources of spiritual understanding**.
- Their **cities**, or **congregations**, have been laid desolate and the **land**, their **organization** has come to be for **plundering**. They have come to be among the nations and held up to ridicule for not living up to the principles that they advocate to others. They are scattered and in a state of disrepair.
- 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**)

- **Yehowah will pursue with zeal all of the nations and the spiritually insensitive ones like Edom, who considered the seed of promise as one of ordinary value. All of them will surely get his attention for he sees their enmity and in his zeal he will deal with all of them and clean them out of the land of promise. They were rejoicing at heart due to his disciplining of Israel, viewing Israel's land and possessions as already theirs, delighting in the downfall of Israel.**
- **Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Certainly in the fire of my zeal I will speak against the remaining ones of the nations and against Edom, all of it, those who have given my land to themselves as a possession with the rejoicing of all the heart, with scorn in the soul, for the sake of its pasture ground and for the plunder. (**Ezekiel 36:5**)**
- **There will be enough of this fire wood for them to light fires for seven years, which would indicate a large force coming up against them. Yehowah's sense of justice will cause him to turn the scales on these plunderers who would set upon innocent people. Now these wicked ones and all of their possessions will become spoil and plunder for the very ones that they set out to plunder. They will be brought to ruin by Yehowah's mighty hand.**
- **And they will not carry sticks of wood from the field, nor will they gather firewood out of the forests, for with the armor they will light fires. And they will certainly make spoil of those who had been making spoil of them, and plunder those who had been plundering them, is the utterance of the Sovereign Lord Yehowah. (**Ezekiel 39:10**)**
- **The conquerors then cry out to plunder silver and gold within her walls, as she is a very rich city, for within her is a very heavy amount of desirable articles.**
- **Plunder silver, you men, plunder gold, as there is no limit to the things in arrangement. There is a heavy amount of all sorts of desirable articles. (**Nahum 2:9**)**
- **So then, Yehowah God swears by himself, as he is alive, that Moab herself will become just like Sodom and Gomorrah, as will the sons of Ammon, without a survivor, completely destroyed. They will**

then become a place possessed by nettles, and a salt pit, and a desolate waste, even to time indefinite. Then the remaining ones of God's own people will **plunder** them, and the remnant of his people will take possession of them.

- 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**)
- Jesus now reasons further on this point with them, showing that anyone who could control the demons, would have to first bind the strong man of the house, who is Satan the Devil, and then he could **plunder** his house. Thus the Son Of Man has authority from Yehowah God over the demons and over all their house, and this is why he can expel demons from people.
- Or how can anyone invade the house of a strong man and seize his movable goods, unless first he binds the strong man? And then he will **plunder** his house. (**Matthew 12:29**)
- Likewise they were meticulous about cleanliness of cups and bowls and pitchers, and about washing themselves. But they were only washing the outside of the body, while letting unclean spiritual thinking dominate the inside of themselves. Inside, they themselves were full of **plunder** and immoderateness. They were spiritually unclean inside in their hearts.
- Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you cleanse the outside of the cup and of the dish, but inside they are full of **plunder** and immoderateness. (**Matthew 23:25**)
- Jesus now gives another illustration, showing, that though a man might get into a strong man's house, he would still have to be able to overcome the strong man to take away his goods, for the strong man would surely defend his home. So one would have to bind the strong man first, and then he could **plunder** his belongings.
- In fact, no one that has got into the house of a strong man is able to **plunder** his movable goods unless first he binds the strong man, and then he will plunder his house. (**Mark 3:27**)

- Now Jesus used the comment to show what was wrong with the Pharisees in general. They worried themselves about cleansing things of lesser importance like their hands before taking a meal, but the inside of them, in their heart and spirit, was full of **plunder** and wickedness, and these far more important things, they did not address at all. Certainly these things coming from inside of them, made them unclean in all that they did.
- But the Lord said to him; Now you Pharisees, you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but the inside of you is full of **plunder** and wickedness. (**Luke 11:39**)