

Zephaniah 2:11~ Yehowah will be fear-inspiring against them,¹ for he will certainly emaciate all the gods of the earth,² and people will bow down to him, each one from his place, all the islands³ of the nations.

Footnote: According to MVg, LXXSy, Yehowah will appear upon them

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1· Yehowah then, will be fear-inspiring before mankind, for he will then emaciate all of the false gods of the entire earth. Then, with one clear way of worship remaining, people will bow down to Yehowah God, each one from his place, even all the islands of the nations.

[Question] How will Yehowah God then appear before all mankind, for what will he then do to all the false gods of the earth?

[Question] What then, will this leave in all the earth, and so who will all the nations come and bow down before then?

2· And I went on to say; Ah, Yehowah the God of the heavens, the God great and **fear-inspiring, keeping the covenant and loving-kindness toward those loving him and keeping his commandments. (Nehemiah 1:5)**

[Question] How did Nehemiah then address Yehowah God?

3· And I **will remove the names of the Baal images from her mouth, and they **will** no longer be remembered by their name. (Hosea 2:17)**

[Question] What did Yehowah God through Hosea, promise to remove from Israel completely?

4· And it must occur in that day, is the utterance of Yehowah of armies, that I shall cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they **will no more be remembered, and also the prophets and the spirit of uncleanness, I shall cause to pass out of the land. (Zechariah 13:2)**

[Question] What did Yehowah God promise through Zechariah to remove from his land, and what would no more even be remembered?

- 5· All the ends of the **earth will** remember and turn back to Yehowah. And all the families of the **nations will bow down** before you. (**Psalms 22:27**)

[Question] Who then, will all the ends of the earth return to, and bow down before?

- 6· Before him, the inhabitants of waterless regions **will bow down**, and his very enemies, **will** lick the dust itself. (**Psalms 72:9**)

[Question] Who then, will even the desert dwellers come to worship, and what will Yehowah God's enemies then lick up?

- 7· For from the sun's rising even to its setting, my name **will** be great among the **nations**, and in every **place**, sacrificial smoke **will** be made, a presentation **will** be made to my name, even a clean gift, because my name **will** be great among the nations, Yehowah of armies has said. (**Malachi 1:11**)

[Question] What will Yehowah God's great name then become like throughout the earth, and what will be offered up to him earthwide?

- 8· He **will** not grow dim nor be crushed until he sets justice in the **earth** itself, and for his Law, the **islands** themselves **will** keep waiting. (**Isaiah 42:4**)

[Question] What will Yehowah God's Messiah not do, until what has happened earthwide?

- 9· Listen to me, O **you islands**, and pay attention, **you** national groups far away. Yehowah himself has called me even from the belly. From the inward parts of my mother he has made mention of my name. (**Isaiah 49:1**)

[Question] What does this Messiah say prophetically about himself, and how Yehowah God has called him to his service?

- 10· And I must pass through the land of Egypt on this night and strike every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from man to beast, and on all the **gods** of Egypt I shall execute judgments. I am Yehowah. (**Exodus 12:12**)

[Question] What did the plagues Yehowah God brought against Egypt, prove respecting her gods?

- 11· Then the Ashdodites got up early the very next day, and there Dagon was fallen upon his face to the **earth**, before the ark of Yehowah. So they took Dagon and returned him to his **place**. (1 Samuel 5:3)

[Question] What happened to the Philistines' god Dagon, when the ark of the covenant was captured by the Philistines?

- 12· Come, **you people**, and see the activities of God. His dealings with the sons of men are **fear-inspiring**. (Psalms 66:5)

[Question] What can we say about the dealings of Yehowah God with the sons of men?

- 13· The haughty eyes of earthling man must become low, and the loftiness of men must **bow down**, and Yehowah alone must be put on high in that day. (Isaiah 2:11)

[Question] Whose eyes must become low in Yehowah God's great day of accounting, and who alone will be glorified in that day?

- 14· That is why in the region of light they must glorify Yehowah, in the **islands** of the sea the name of Yehowah, the God of Israel. (Isaiah 24:15)

[Question] What will those dwelling with insight from Yehowah God then say about Yehowah God?

- 15· This is what **you men will** say to them; The **gods** that did not make the very heavens and the **earth** are the ones who **will** perish from the **earth**, and from under these heavens. (Jeremiah 10:11)

[Question] Who did Yehowah God have Jeremiah state, would then be effaced from the earth, and who would take full control of the earth?

- 16· Tell it among the **nations** and publish it. And lift up a signal, publish it. Hide nothing, O men. Say; Babylon has been captured. Bel has been put to shame. Merodach has become terrified. Her images have been put to shame. Her dungy idols have become terrified. (Jeremiah 50:2)

[Question] What did Jeremiah say to tell out about Babylon at the time of her fall?

[Question] What did this prove about her false gods, Bel and Merodach?