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2 Chronicles 36, Hosea 4, Acts 20



## My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge

The kings of Judah did evil in the sight of Yahweh their Elohim. Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God, and humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the mouth of the LORD. And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel. (2Ch 36:11-13) But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. (2Ch 36:16) And so for lack of knowledge they are destroyed.

Yahweh had a controversy with Israel because there is no truth nor knowledge of God. My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame. (Hos 4:6-7)

Paul going to Jerusalem knowing he was to be bound, witnesses, 'how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. (A20:20-21). For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. (A20:29-31) But the people of God are easily destroyed – because the human mind rejects seeking truth, and then loses knowledge – and then all good is lost in shame.

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