

**Jeremiah's Prophecy Concerning the Nations: Ammon (early 605 BC)**

Jeremiah 49:1–6

1 Concerning the sons of Ammon. Thus says the LORD:

“Does Israel have no sons?  
Or has he no heirs?  
Why then has Malcam taken possession of Gad  
And his people settled in its cities?

2 “Therefore behold, the days are coming,” declares the LORD,  
“That I will cause a trumpet blast of war to be heard  
Against Rabbah of the sons of Ammon;  
And it will become a desolate heap,  
And her towns will be set on fire.  
Then Israel will take possession of his possessors,”  
Says the LORD.

3 “Wail, O Heshbon, for Ai has been destroyed!  
Cry out, O daughters of Rabbah,  
Gird yourselves with sackcloth and lament,  
And rush back and forth inside the walls;  
For Malcam will go into exile  
Together with his priests and his princes.

4 “How boastful you are about the valleys!  
Your valley is flowing *away*,  
O backsliding daughter  
Who trusts in her treasures, *saying*,  
‘Who will come against me?’

5 “Behold, I am going to bring terror upon you,”  
Declares the Lord GOD of hosts,  
“From all *directions* around you;  
And each of you will be driven out headlong,  
With no one to gather the fugitives together.

6 “But afterward I will restore  
The fortunes of the sons of Ammon,”  
Declares the LORD.

**Jeremiah's Prophecy Concerning the Nations: Edom (early 605 BC)**

Jeremiah 49:7–22

7 Concerning Edom. Thus says the LORD of hosts,

“Is there no longer any wisdom in Teman?  
Has good counsel been lost to the prudent?  
Has their wisdom decayed?

8 “Flee away, turn back, dwell in the depths,  
O inhabitants of Dedan,  
For I will bring the disaster of Esau upon him  
At the time I punish him.

9 “If grape gatherers came to you,  
Would they not leave gleanings?

- If thieves *came* by night,  
They would destroy *only* until they had enough.
- 10 “But I have stripped Esau bare,  
I have uncovered his hiding places  
So that he will not be able to conceal himself;  
His offspring has been destroyed along with his relatives  
And his neighbors, and he is no more.
- 11 “Leave your orphans behind, I will keep *them* alive;  
And let your widows trust in Me.”
- 12 For thus says the LORD, “Behold, those who were not sentenced to drink the cup will certainly drink *it*, and are you the one who will be completely acquitted? You will not be acquitted, but you will certainly drink *it*.”
- 13 “For I have sworn by Myself,” declares the LORD, “that Bozrah will become an object of horror, a reproach, a ruin and a curse; and all its cities will become perpetual ruins.”
- 14 I have heard a message from the LORD,  
And an envoy is sent among the nations, *saying*,  
“Gather yourselves together and come against her,  
And rise up for battle!”
- 15 “For behold, I have made you small among the nations,  
Despised among men.
- 16 “As for the terror of you,  
The arrogance of your heart has deceived you,  
O you who live in the clefts of the rock,  
Who occupy the height of the hill.  
Though you make your nest as high as an eagle’s,  
I will bring you down from there,” declares the LORD.
- 17 “Edom will become an object of horror; everyone who passes by it will be horrified and will hiss at all its wounds.
- 18 “Like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah with its neighbors,” says the LORD, “no one will live there, nor will a son of man reside in it.
- 19 “Behold, one will come up like a lion from the thickets of the Jordan against a perennially watered pasture; for in an instant I will make him run away from it, and whoever is chosen I shall appoint over it. For who is like Me, and who will summon Me *into court*? And who then is the shepherd who can stand against Me?”
- 20 Therefore hear the plan of the LORD which He has planned against Edom, and His purposes which He has purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: surely they will drag them off, *even* the little ones of the flock; surely He will make their pasture desolate because of them.
- 21 The earth has quaked at the noise of their downfall. There is an outcry! The noise of it has been heard at the Red Sea.
- 22 Behold, He will mount up and swoop like an eagle and spread out His wings against Bozrah; and the hearts of the mighty men of Edom in that day will be like the heart of a woman in labor.

### Jeremiah’s Prophecy Concerning the Nations: Damascus (early 605 BC)

Jeremiah 49:23–27

23 Concerning Damascus.

“Hamath and Arpad are put to shame,  
 For they have heard bad news;  
 They are disheartened.  
 There is anxiety by the sea,  
 It cannot be calmed.

- 24 “Damascus has become helpless;  
 She has turned away to flee,  
 And panic has gripped her;  
 Distress and pangs have taken hold of her  
 Like a woman in childbirth.
- 25 “How the city of praise has not been deserted,  
 The town of My joy!
- 26 “Therefore, her young men will fall in her streets,  
 And all the men of war will be silenced in that day,” declares the LORD of hosts.
- 27 “I will set fire to the wall of Damascus,  
 And it will devour the fortified towers of Ben-hadad.”

### Jeremiah’s Prophecy Concerning the Nations: Kedar and Hazor (early 605 BC)

Jeremiah 49:28–33

28 Concerning Kedar and the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon defeated. Thus says the LORD,

“Arise, go up to Kedar  
 And devastate the men of the east.

- 29 “They will take away their tents and their flocks;  
 They will carry off for themselves  
 Their tent curtains, all their goods and their camels,  
 And they will call out to one another, ‘Terror on every side!’
- 30 “Run away, flee! Dwell in the depths,  
 O inhabitants of Hazor,” declares the LORD;  
 “For Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon has formed a plan against you  
 And devised a scheme against you.
- 31 “Arise, go up against a nation which is at ease,  
 Which lives securely,” declares the LORD.  
 “It has no gates or bars;  
 They dwell alone.
- 32 “Their camels will become plunder,  
 And their many cattle for booty,  
 And I will scatter to all the winds those who cut the corners *of their hair*;  
 And I will bring their disaster from every side,” declares the LORD.
- 33 “Hazor will become a haunt of jackals,  
 A desolation forever;  
 No one will live there,  
 Nor will a son of man reside in it.”