

V. Hazor

v 30 - 32

A fortified city in the northern most region of Israel, allotted to the tribe of Naphtali. Hazor means "enclosed" and it was surrounded by large walls and built on high ground overlooking Lake Merom. Lake Merom is fed by the waters of Mt. Hermon in the north, and then serves as the springs of the Jordan river, which flows south from it into the Sea of Galilee.

Hazor was the chief city of the enemy northern kings in the days of Joshua. **Joshua 11:10-13**

Within 12 months of Jeremiah's written warning Hazor was ransacked by the Babylonians and left desolate.

Jeremiah 49:33**VI. Elam**

v 33 - 39

Elam was the firstborn son of **Shem** and the founder of the Elamites. **Genesis 10:22**,

The land of Elam was located east of the Tigris river (~ 200 miles east of Babylon).

The Elamite soldiers were great archers (v 35).

Nebuchadnezzar's forces subjugated Elam about four years after this prophecy was made.

v 39 *I will bring again the captivity of Elam, saith the Lord*

hist: Forty years after the Babylonian conquest, Cyrus of Persia conquered Elam and incorporated the Elamites into the Persian Empire. He made Shushan ('*ily*') it's capital city the center of the Persian empire and the residence of the Persian kings. **Nehemiah 1 & Esther 1**

spir: The Elamites were present to hear Peter's sermon on Pentecost. **Acts 2:9**

doct: God has plans for Elam ('*youth*') & Ammon (v 6) . . . *in the latter days*.

Sermon Idea :

v 19 Four Important Questions

1. *who is a chosen man that I may appoint ?*
2. *who is like me ?*
3. *who will appoint me the time ?*
4. *who is that shepherd ?*

The Answers can be found in : Isaiah 63