

Ezekiel 4 Defiled Bread

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I. A Portrait of the Judgment v 1 - 3

The Lord uses Ezekiel as a public object-lesson to portray the siege of Jerusalem.

Hist: the near-term siege of **2 Kings 25:1-7**

Doct: the siege of the tribulation **Zechariah 12:1-4**

v 3 *iron* Spir: ~ unanswered prayers **Leviticus 26:19**

II. The Period of the Judgment v 4 - 8

key : End of verse 6 *I have appointed . . . each day for a year* **Num 14:34**

v 4-5 *the iniquity of the house of Israel*

1112 BC ----- (390 y) ----- 722 BC
1 Sam 8 2 Kings 18

v 6 *the iniquity of the house of Judah*

1015 BC --- (40 y) --- 975 BC
1 Kings 1 1 Kings 11

This sign reveals both: (a) God's long-suffering & (b) his long memory.

NB: The Good News of the New Covenant = **Jer 31:34**

v 8 *bands* - Gen 32:7 Lev 26:13

Two Types: (1) *bands of wickedness*, **Isaiah 58:13**

(2) *bands of love*, **Hosea 11:4** Spir: **Romans 6:16**

III. The Pollution in the Judgment v 9 - 17

The third sign was used to express the Lord's disgust at the vile abominations of his people, which were desecrating his Temple. His people were *feeding* on heathen offerings.

v 10 *meat* - Genesis 1:29 John 6:27 Ezekiel 3:8

v 14 *abominable flesh* - **Isaiah 65:1-5**

NB: 1 shekel ~ 10 grams 20 shekels ~ 200 grams

1 hin ~ 1.5 gallons 1/6 hin = 32 ounces