

26-Ezekiel-24-Transcript

0:49 Well, greetings brethren and welcome to another Wednesday night Bible study this evening, God willing, we will cover Ezekiel chapter 27 and then just the first part of chapter 28 and then God willing, we'll continue in chapter 28 next week.

1:06 Welcome, Pastor Murray is not going to be able to with us this evening, but he will be speaking on Sabbath.

1:13 He's just busy with work or other engagements this evening.

1:17 And let me open with a word of prayer and then we'll get into the study for this evening where we study the scriptures lying upon mine, our loving heavenly Father.

1:29 We pause to acknowledge you just to thank you so much, Father for your word, for your ancient text that we have access to and for the desire that you've put in our hearts to be familiar with the text, to understand the text to be taught through the revelation that you gave to these ancient prophets.

1:53 And certainly Ezekiel is a major prophet, a very complex book.

1:58 We thank you Father for just opening it up to our understanding and pray that you'll continue to do that.

2:05 And that as we understand more of Ezekiel will understand more of the rest of the scriptures and, and vice versa.

2:13 We thank you, Father.

2:14 We thank you for all the faithful teachers.

2:16 We ask you for the faith, we praise you for the faithful disciples and we ask for your blessing on our study.

2:23 This evening, we pray in Jesus name.

2:25 Amen.

2:27 All right, brethren, let us get into tonight's study and I actually want to begin tonight rather than actually what I should do.

2:37 Sorry.

2:37 First of all is just make sure I'm coming through loudly and clearly, let me just quickly pop over to the chat and I'm not seeing anything there, but I just want to welcome those of you who are signed in and sister Carlotta.

2:55 I see something there.

2:57 Ok.

2:57 So I'm assuming that I'm coming through loudly and clearly.

3:01 And if I'm not, just let me know and what I wanna do is start, let me share my screen and rather than begin with the scripture right away, let me begin with this map just so we know where tire is.

3:25 So you can see where tire is here and I'll just zoom in a bit more so right in the Mediterranean Sea.

3:34 And let me just scroll down here and let me share my screen this way.

3:45 Yes.

3:46 And so you'll see Lebanon is here.

3:49 Tire is right on the coast and in fact, it looks as you look at the map here.

3:57 You can see that it's attached, it's like a, a peninsula.

4:01 At the time of Ezekiel, it was not attached to Lebanon.

4:06 It was an independent island, a real sort of city, island, city state called Tere.

4:14 Babylon was the first to conquer, it was very powerful.

4:17 Babylon was the first to conquer it.

4:18 Then Persia conquered it, then, then the Greeks conquered it and it was Alexander the great when he conquered, Tere that he thoroughly conquered it and, and created a peninsula and attached it to the mainland.

4:32 So originally Tere and Lebanon were two separate entities.

4:38 But now it's, it's one and the same.

4:40 So Tere is a part of Lebanon.

4:42 And again, you can see that the Mediterranean Sea was really the, the key to the this whole hub of bringing all these different continents together.

4:52 And Tere based, controlled the Mediterranean Sea all the way out to Italy, Greece, Asia, Minor, Africa, Arabia.

4:59 So they were really the center of everything.

5:03 So I just wanted to start with that because I have to acknowledge and, and maybe you can let me know in the chat, but I have to acknowledge that when I started to study this, I, I actually had no idea how powerful and sorry, let me just switch here.

5:21 I had no idea how powerful Tere was and, and just studying the, these couple of chapters.

5:29 and we'll, we'll continue again next week.

5:32 This was a very, very powerful.

5:35 It's a little city, basically an island, a city state that controlled everything.

5:41 And it's no wonder next week when we,, look at chapter 28 that the king of Tere is actually likened to Satan and, and becomes a, a proxy or an avatar for Satan.

5:53 So let's get into our study for this evening and actually let me just check the chat one more time and, yeah.

6:01 Oh, loud and clear.

6:02 Thanks so much for record.

6:03 All right, very, very good.

6:04 Let's pump up the font size here and just to go back to chapter 26 where we were last week.

6:13 Just a couple of verses, son of man because the Tere has said against Jerusalem.

6:19 Aha, she is broken.

6:22 That was the gates of the people.

6:24 She has turned unto me.

6:26 I shall be replenished.

6:27 Now she has laid waste.

6:30 Therefore, verse three thus says Jehovah Ade I behold, I am against you o Tere and will cause many nations to come up against you as the sea causes his waves to come out.

6:44 So there's just gonna be this relentless assault on Tere.

6:48 And then in verse 17 and they shall take up a lamentation for you and say to you, how are you destroyed?

6:57 That was inhabited of seafaring men.

7:00 So it was the center of, of basically the world's commerce.

7:04 If I could say it like that anciently and maybe to think of a powerful city back in the day like London, England or like New York, New York, where just the whole world is doing business with this city and it becomes very powerful, but it's on an island and it's able to, to wall the island.

7:23 So it becomes Impenetrable and everybody's doing business with it and it just becomes this powerhouse.

7:29 I, I had no idea.

7:31 I just hear of Tyre in the Bible.

7:34 I know Ezekiel 28 I'm familiar with that scripture became familiar with it early in my days in the church, but didn't really contemplate just how powerful Tyre was.

7:45 And so this is the beginning of the gospel, the beginning of the good news.

7:51 So we, we saw all the judgments on Judah and on Jerusalem and now God has shifted his attention.

7:58 The assumption is that Judah has or a remnant of Judah has repented.

8:03 And now as in accordance with Deuteronomy 30 God is now bringing these curses upon the enemies of Judah.

8:12 So because Judah rejoiced in the judgment on Jerusalem and tried to take advantage of it and economic advantage of, of Jerusalem's collapse, God punishes Tyre or, or announces this punishment on Tyre and then they're going to lament for her.

8:32 How, how, how, how is it possible that you could be destroyed?

8:37 And I think that's another lesson here.

8:39 As I'm studying this passage is we must not lose faith with the power because of the power of gentile nations.

8:49 No matter how powerful these nations are.

8:52 They have an expiry date, but the, the Kingdom of God has no expiry date.

8:58 It, Jesus Christ will reign forever and ever and ever and ever and ever.

9:01 There's no expiry.

9:03 So we mustn't acquiesce to their satanic agenda because they're, they're like a man is like a flower.

9:10 He, he grows, he blossoms, he's glorious and then he's gone.

9:15 So Tyre this.

9:16 This is a very, very powerful city state or nation or tribe or peoples.

9:23 And they will take a lamentation for you and say to you, how have you been destroyed?

9:29 That was inhabited of seafaring men, the renowned city which was strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants which caused their terror to be on all that haunted.

9:41 So, so everybody was terrified of Tyre and nobody wanted to be on the wrong side of Tyre.

9:47 Everybody wanted to be on the right side of Tyre and wanted to trade and do commerce with her so that they could be enriched, but they didn't wanna cross her because she was that powerful.

9:57 And you can see today with the powerful say the pharmaceutical industry, how powerful it is and how quickly people will acquiesce to it because they can see how they can be profitable, cooperating with it and how they can be crushed if they go against it.

10:12 So we can get a sense of how powerful Tyre was by some of the analogies.

10:17 In our, in our current day.

10:18 So let's come now to Ezekiel chapter 27 in verse one.
10:26 So what we saw last week was God's judgment on Tyre.
10:31 Now we're gonna continue that.
10:33 But through a lamentation, the word of Jehovah came unto me saying now you son of man take up a lamentation for a Tyre.
10:44 So a lamentation is a bitter cry.
10:46 It's an extreme grief.
10:49 The expression of deep sorrow for loss.
10:53 And here is this powerful city state that basically rules the world and, and, and you know, it's very analogous to Babylon.
11:01 It's, it's sort of the, the Nimrod formula is being exercised here just as it will be exercised in Babylon.
11:08 So a lot of the parallels we'll see between Tyre and Babylon makes sense because it's all rooted in this Nimrod agenda of, of world hegemony.
11:18 So now take up this lament.
11:21 This is good news.
11:23 I if, if you are a Jew living in the ancient, near east and you are suffering under these pagan gentile oppressive leaders and here comes the prophet weeping for Tyre, take up a lamentation for Tyre and say unto Tyre o you that are situated at the entry of the sea and that was its power.
11:50 Geography is destiny.
11:53 And, and you know, I didn't understand that as a, as a child, as a the stu high school student or, or elementary school student, they just give us these maps and say, memorize these maps and, and geography just seems like a very boring subject as did history.
12:08 Here are the dates memorize these dates, if only they had explained to us that geography is destiny.
12:17 And if they could show us these ancient empires, how they were able to grow in power and stature, primarily because of their geography.
12:27 And so here is an island that is at the sort of the switchboard of the Mediterranean Sea and, and is able to capitalize on all of the traffic that is going back and through the the Mediterranean Sea that is just perfectly situated.
12:44 So it's like he was destined because it's an island that could be a fortress, it was destined to come to power and, and it looked like it would be in power forever.
12:55 O you that are situated at the entry of the sea, which are a merchant of the people from many islands.
13:03 Thus says the Lord God oh Tyre, you have said I am of perfect beauty.
13:10 So there's you, you get this sense of this arrogance and you can see as well why such a powerful city state that that is just so wealthy, why it would become an analog or the king of Tyre?
13:24 We become an analog for Satan.
13:27 So he, he says, I'm just, I'm, I'm a perfect beauty.
13:31 Excuse me, you can imagine that the spec the spectacle of Tyre, how amazing it must have been.
13:37 And if you were going to Tyre to trade, to deliver goods or to pick up goods.

13:43It must have just been absolutely spec spectacular.

13:47Your borders are in the midst of the seas.

13:50So it's an island, it's in the midst of the seas.

13:53Your builders have perfected your beauty.

13:56So she's able to acquire, let's say, architects and construction companies and, and, and get them to build this, this spectacle in the sea.

14:08They have made all your ship boards of fir trees of snare and, and so just as we go through these, as we go through these different cities and, and states, I'll just mention just quickly where they are today.

14:28And, and speculating, it's not exact exactly exactly.

14:32But this is really Lebanon and Syria, a combination of what we call Lebanon and Syria today.

14:40So they're bringing the best of the trees we've heard of the, the cedars of Lebanon.

14:45They have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masks for these.

14:49So it's like the highest quality materials to build her ships that are doing all of this trade.

14:55And so tire you again.

14:58I said last week that tire is Lebanon, but here there's tire and, and cedars are coming from Lebanon because at the time of the writing tire was a separate island from Lebanon today.

15:09It's all connected.

15:10So it's, it's so it's what we call Lebanon today.

15:13So this ser if we look in Deuteronomy three and verse nine this is Mount Herman, which Herman, the Sedonia call Syrian, and the Emirates call Shir.

15:24So this is again that the Mount Herman, which is in Lebanon, Syria area, verse six of the Oaks of Bashar.

15:34And so we see another allusion to another part.

15:40So it's just, it, it just controls so many cities, so, so many countries, all of them trading with her.

15:47So this is Bashar is in Syria, Israel and what we call the the Golan Heights today.

15:54So let me just move this over a little bit.

16:06So he goes on to say o of the oaks of Bishan, they have made your oars.

16:13So this is like the finest quality materials and workmanship, all building up the power and the glory of tire.

16:21So her ships are just made of the best materials, even the oars, the company of the Asher Rights, he says have, have made your benches of ivory brought out of the isles of, of, of Shim or Shim.

16:37So Asher is Syria obviously.

16:40So that would be in the area of Iraq.

16:42And the research did shows that Shim is in the area of Cyprus fine linen with brod work from Egypt.

16:52So I guess it's just everything is coming from the different places.

16:55So the Lebanon is known for her trees.

16:58Egypt is known for her, her linen, fine linen with, with brod work, hand, hand embroidered work from Egypt was that which you spread forth to be your sail.

17:10So the sails on the ship and, and the ship itself is a symbol of, of of tire itself.

17:16So, but these are how the ships were made.

17:18But this the profit here is a lightning, the whole city state to, to one of its ships.

17:26So, so the sail on the ship, it's, it's not just a regular canvas sail, it's made with fine linen that's embroidered from Egypt.

17:34So everything is coming from all different parts of the world.

17:37Was that which you spread forth to be your sail blue and purple from the Isles of Elisha which again, they think could be Cyprus or, or part of Greece.

17:48again, just because it's in the Mediterranean just has access to bring the best of goods from all over was that which covered you?

17:56And this Elisha we'll see it in the table of nations in Genesis two Genesis 10 beginning in verse two.

18:04So Elisha comes from Je, the sons of Je Gomer and Magog and Madai and Javan and Tubal and Meshech and Tara, and the sons of Gomer, Ashkenaz and Rifat and to Togo, Togo and the sons of Javan.

18:23So you can see that Javan here is one of the sons of Je and then from Japan comes Elisha.

18:30So it's not Elisha as in the prophet Elisha, but Elisha, this is from, from Je back to Ezekiel 27 the inhabitants of a Zyon.

18:43So this Zyon and Arvad again, part of Lebanon and part of Syria, the inhabitants of the Zon and Arvad were your manners, your wise men attire that were in the, they were your pilots.

19:03So even the people who are steering the ships, these are, these are the best people though.

19:08They, they are best skilled,, to be, as I said, man, Mariners, let me just pump this up a little bit more.

19:16They were your, your Mariners, I guess he would pronounce it.

19:19So they're, they're, they're the ones who are just, sailing the ships, navigating the ships and they're the best, they are skilled in this and they've come to work for tire in this way.

19:33So the ancients of gal and what did I have here in my list?

19:37This is, this is part of Lebanon and the wise men thereof or in all your callers and I forgot to look up what that was.

19:47This is a gap or leak in a building.

19:54Let me just see that again.

19:56Con because it's a bra.

20:01So, 00 Caer.

20:02So this would be if there's a crack anywhere.

20:05These are the people that are caulking it, sealing it, make sure that no, that it's waterproof.

20:10So he says,, we're in, these were your cockers, all the ships of the sea with their Mariners were in you to occupy your merchandise.

20:22So she just attracted everyone it's like so in Canada, this is maybe going back a couple of decades, there was just Alberta was just booming with the oil industry and, and people from all over Canada moved out to Alberta to take advantage of that economic boom.

20:39So you get that sense, that sense here with tire, there's this economic boom and people are coming from all over the world to work in tire and bring their best skills and talents to tire, to occupy or to look after its merchandise in its trade.

20:55They of Persia, let me just go back here.

20:58They of Persia and of loud and foot were in your army.

21:04 You men of war, they hang the shield and the helmet in you.
21:08 So these are the now the warrior class.
21:10 So, so it's getting the best warriors and, Lud and foot.
21:14 This is the area of Libya and, and part of Turkey.
21:19 So these are your army.
21:20 You, you've got these aggressive, you know, full of testosterone soldiers.
21:25 These are your men of war that protect you.
21:27 So you've got, you've got an island that is walled and then you've got warriors that nobody messes with you.
21:35 They can trade with you, they can't mess with you.
21:38 They hang the shield and helmet in you.
21:40 They set forth your, your beauty.
21:42 So they, they would, you just imagine their army.
21:45 So this again, loot and foot in the table of nations.
21:48 We're gonna see them here from Egypt.
21:51 So Egypt be at loot which is we believe it is Libya and we can see that Kush be at foot.
22:01 Ezekiel back to verse 1127 are the men of Arvad.
22:05 And so I did some research here and Arvad, where did Arvad go is part of Lebanon and part of Syria as well.
22:15 The men of Arvad with your army were upon your walls round about and the gamma and the gamma.
22:22 Not sure.
22:23 It seems like it might be part of Lebanon as well.
22:25 Were in your towers, they hang their shields upon your walls and round about.
22:31 They have made your beauty perfect.
22:33 So you can just imagine the military might of tire and, and the uniform, the, the, the beauty of their uniforms and the uniformity and the splendor this was tire says, Tarsus, which they believe is Spain.
22:50 So it's far out of Spain.
22:52 Tarsus was your merchant by reason of the multitude of all kind of riches.
22:58 So with silver, iron tin and, and, and lead, they traded in your fairs.
23:03 So they, they're not stupid.
23:04 These are business people who realize everybody's in tire.
23:08 That's sort of the exchange.
23:10 We've got to come with our goods to tire.
23:12 We gotta come and buy goods from tire and bring them back to our country.
23:15 Everything's happening in tire.
23:18 And you can see Tarsus is actually of the sons of Javan which is from Je as well.
23:26 So here we see Javan Tubal and Mische.
23:29 They were your merchants.
23:31 They traded the persons of men and vessels of brass in your market.
23:37 So they're coming as well and they're not just coming with vessels and, and merchandise.
23:43 They're trading slaves.

23:45 And that could be surprising to most of us in North America because we think the only slave trade was the Atlantic slave trade.

23:53 Slavery was an economic system, it was all over the world.

23:56 Every peoples were enslaved.

23:59 And here we have these people coming to tire to trade human beings as property.

24:06 And we can see here again, just the table of nations.

24:09 We've got Magog Madai, Javan Tubal mishear.

24:15 These are all coming from Je verse 14, they of the House of Tagar and that is a part of Turkey, part of Armenia today.

24:26 They of the house of Tagma traded in your affairs with horses and horsemen and mules.

24:32 And you could just imagine the beauty of these horses and the skill of the horsemen who are coming to trade and everybody's coming to tire to take advantage of this trade.

24:43 And this Tagar from Je as well, the sons of Gomar, Ashkenaz, Rif and Tagar.

24:50 So Jet really spread a lot in the Middle East.

24:54 And they are these descendants of Jet that are trading tire, the men of Dan.

24:59 This is Arabia.

25:01 Were your merchants.

25:03 Many Isles were the merchandise of your hand.

25:07 So these, they, they're coming as merchants to help sell, buy and sell and, and many islands were the merchandise of your hand.

25:15 They bought, they brought you for a present horns of ivory and ebony.

25:19 So the way you would come to great people with your gifts, they're coming with gifts so they can maybe get preferential treatment in all of this traffic and trade.

25:28 Syria was your merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares of your making.

25:36 So different people are bringing different items and Syria is helping to merchandise they occupied in your fairs with emeralds, purple, embroidered works.

25:46 When we see these colors, blue and purple today is nothing.

25:50 You know, you can, you can walk into the nearest Walmart and there's everything, every all clothing is, is colorful.

25:56 We'd be surprised if it didn't have color.

25:58 Well, the opposite back in the day, that color was really expensive and, and these items had to be hand dyed and there was a lot of maybe insects that had to be crushed in order to create these colors.

26:11 But when there's a lot of wealth, we can create these colors and embroidered work.

26:17 And again, if there's a lot of slaves, then slaves can make this, this, these, these embroidered work and, and fine linen and coral and Agate Judah and the land of Israel.

26:29 They were your merchants.

26:31 They traded in your market.

26:33 We took Minth and Panag and honey and oil and bomb and MTH they believe is Ammon.

26:40 Jordan and Panag, there is not 100% sure where that is, but somewhere in the area of Ammon or, or Jordan.

26:51 So even Judah is in on it, trading all of this, this is the center, this is the switchboard of the world at the time.

27:00 And because of all of this commerce and merchandise and the fact that it was a walled island, it became extremely powerful.

27:08 I think the most powerful city state at the time.

27:11 And when as Syria came to crush it, and, and Babylon came to crush it and, and Persia came to crush it, they conquered it.

27:20 But it wasn't until Alexander the great who had the genius idea of actually connecting it to the mainland.

27:26 That's when it was really fully conquered.

27:29 But, but here it's, it's going down.

27:31 So the king of Babylon is coming in to completely level tire but at this point, it is very, very powerful.

27:39 So this minute and panic is mentioned in judges 1133.

27:45 this is speaking of and I forget which judge this was, but they conquered them from a roar even till, even till you come to me, even 20 cities.

27:56 And as the plan of vineyards with a very great slaughter, and the Children of Ammon were subdued before the Children of Israel.

28:02 So certainly in the promised land that this myth and here in Deuteronomy eight and verse eight, this promise this land that they're going into.

28:13 It's a land of wheat and barley and vines and fig trees and pomegranate.

28:17 It's a land of oil, olive oil and honey.

28:20 So this is why you see them.

28:21 Here, the ju the, the Judah are able to trade with wheat and honey and oil because that's what was in that land.

28:31 Verse 18, back to Ezekiel 27 Damascus.

28:39 This is Assyria was your merchant in the multitude of the wares of your making.

28:46 So there's just so much commerce in this place that everybody's coming to trade and to create wealth.

28:54 Damascus was your merchant in the multitude of your war, the wares of your making for the multitude of all riches in the wine of hell.

29:01 Bon and white wool.

29:03 Let me just see if I did research on Hell, Bon.

29:07 I missed hell.

29:10 So I don't know where hell Ban is Dan also.

29:14 And Javan going to and fro occupied in your fairs, bright iron, Cassia and calamus were in your market.

29:24 I think those are some sort of herbs.

29:26 Let's see, Cassia, it's a bark and columnist is a re a shaft.

29:36 So again, these are making musical instruments, what whatever they're making they need these supplies.

29:42 The dam, this is a part of Arabia was your merchant in precious clothes for chariots, Arabia and all the princes of Kadar in another part of Arabia they occupied with you in lambs and rams and goats in these were they your merchants?

30:01 So everybody's coming with their specialty.

30:04 The merchants of Sheba and Rama and Sheba and Rama.

30:10What did I find?

30:10So Sheba is today in the area of Yemen and Rama is Saudi Arabia part of Southwest Arabia.

30:19The merchants of Sheba and Rama.

30:22They were your merchants.

30:24They occupied in your affairs and this really occupied is just to do business.

30:30They were transacting with chief of all spices.

30:34So they're coming from Arabia with all spices and with all precious stones.

30:39And there's a lot of stone worship in Arabia and gold.

30:43And, and here we see Sheba is, is, is descended from Kush as is Rama.

30:48So in the table of nations, they're, they're coming through Kush as well as Sheba and Dan Ezekiel 27 and 23 Haran and Kenna and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asher and Kilt were your merchants.

31:07And did I look up Haran?

31:10That is Southeastern Turkey.

31:12Kana is likely part of Lebanon and Eden.

31:16The research showed is part of Turkey.

31:20These were your merchants in all sorts of things, in blue clothes, embroidered work.

31:29And then every time we read this, just think slavery that that was the economic system back then and in chests of rich apparel.

31:37So these, these, these people don't create, don't, don't get wealthy by sitting down and just hitting a keyboard and, and creating things out of their head.

31:47Wealth is through human labor and, and primarily taking advantage of human labor, which means slavery.

31:54So, so tire was and, and all these nations that are trading with tire slavery is the economic system.

32:00Let's let's be clear about that.

32:03And in chests of rich apparel bound with cords and made of cedar among your merchandise, the ships of Tarsus did sing of you in your market.

32:14So coming all the way it looks like from Spain possibly.

32:17And again, all of these, this research, it's all a possibility.

32:21It's not 100% unless you know, Egypt is Egypt.

32:23But even the borders there may have changed the ships of Tarsus, which we believe is Spain did sing of you in your market.

32:31That's how glorious tire was.

32:34And you were replenished and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.

32:40This, this powerhouse of a nation.

32:43Ezekiel is told, take up a lamentation, start grieving for her because she's coming down.

32:51And this is the beginning of the good news for if you're if you're a Jew and you're hearing this prophecy from Ezekiel, it's like amazing.

32:58This is, this gives you hope.

33:00So this is the beginning of the shift and the beginning of the good news, your rowers again, think slaves, your rowers have brought you into great waters.

33:11 The East wind has broken you in the midst of the seas and then again, you're gonna have people who are specialist in, in navigating with the winds, your riches and your fairs, your merchandise, your Mariners and your pilots, your Cokers and the occupiers of your merchandise and all your men of war that are in you and in all your company, which is in the midst of you, all of that, everything that we've just went through shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of your ruin.

33:41 Absolutely amazing.

33:43 Absolutely amazing.

33:44 This is a and again, I think today, you know, you could, I think it wouldn't be far fetched to say, let's use America as just a symbol or, or let's use tire as an an analogy to America, not to say that America is tire, but just as an analogy to say that here is, here is the superpower of the world that these people who lived in that day would never for a moment.

34:18 Imagine the collapse of this empire.

34:22 Just as for us, it's hard for us to imagine a world where America is not the world's superpower, but these powerful nations can quickly collapse.

34:34 And that's what Ezekiel is saying.

34:35 Here is this power, this superpower of the day is about to collapse.

34:41 And, and so we have to get ready for this transition into a world where the moral code that has informed America will no longer influence the world.

34:55 And in fact, it's gonna be more of the moral code that influenced tire and these ancient pagan nations, that's what's going to be the moral code of the coming world order.

35:07 We can put it that way.

35:08 Let's just continue here with the passage in Ezekiel 27.

35:18 So all of that, that we just started going through that, that was just described with such detail.

35:25 When tire goes down, they're all going down as well.

35:30 The suburb shall shake at the sound of the cry of your pilots.

35:36 You know, they all of the all of this traffic is by sea and all of these people are who are sailing the ships, navigating the ships.

35:44 The captains, when, when, when they start to cry, even the suburbs are gonna shake and all that handle the oar, the Mariners and all the pilots of the sea shall come down from their ships.

35:59 They shall stand upon the lamp and shall cause their voice to be heard against you and shall cry bitterly.

36:06 So tyre is a very oppressive empire, but they're getting wealth through all of the merchandise.

36:15 So even though they're being oppressed by tire, at the same time, when it collapses, they cry bitterly.

36:21 And you can again a great analogy for today, you can see people today who are oppressed by the powers that be.

36:27 But when these powers that be that be collapse and their economy collapses, they will cry bitterly and shall cast up dust upon their heads.

36:36 So that's a very middle eastern way of, of expressing deep grief.

36:43 They shall wall themselves in the ashes.

36:46 And this, just to me, I just think of revelation one, I believe verse seven that when Christ returns all the tribes of the earth shall wail because of him and the whole econ world economy will have collapsed.

37:02 gold and silver will, will have no value and then they're going to wallow themselves in the ashes and cast dust upon their head.

37:10 Well, here is an early sort of forerunner of the fall of Babylon as we watch the fall of Tire, which again, these are rooted in the Nim Nimrod system and they shall make themselves utterly bald for you.

37:27 Again, an expression of deep grief and gird themselves with, with sackcloth expression of deep grief and they shall weep for you with bitterness of heart and bitter wailing.

37:39 And, and again, no difference today when the economy collapses and all the wealth, everything they were banking on has collapsed.

37:47 They will weep for, for, for Babylon in, in this modern sense, but here for Tire, with bitterness of heart and bitter wailing and in their wailing, they shall take up a lamentation for you and lament over you saying what city is like?

38:05 Tire.

38:05 So Tire stood alone.

38:07 So in the in the ancient, near east, this tire was just this superpower and there was nothing like it and it was just geography is destiny.

38:18 It was just situated in such a way that all of the traffic he could take advantage of.

38:23 It would be like today somebody getting you know, Tim Berners Lee, who I think he invented the World Wide Web or the browser or something.

38:33 If, if every time there was traffic on the internet he got paid, you could just imagine how incredibly wealthy he would become.

38:40 So these, these are all Google.

38:42 Every time there's a search the the cash register is ringing for Google.

38:46 So you see this, this Google Empire and the trillions of dollars perhaps over time.

38:52 This, this is the who is like tire this, this city state stood alone like the destroyed in the midst of the sea.

39:02 So it stood alone and as hot, as powerful as it was, it collapsed.

39:08 And it's like, how, how can this be?

39:11 How, how on earth could this happen when your wares went forth out of the seas?

39:17 You filled many people, you did enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of your riches and of your merchandise.

39:24 So how have you fallen?

39:26 How, how did you fall from this state in the time when you shall be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters, your merchandise and all your company in the midst of you shall fall.

39:42 So this is, this is powerful prophecy.

39:46 All the inhabitants of the Isle shall be astonished at you again.

39:49 It really does sound like Babylon because it's the same system being brought down.

39:55 All the inhabitants of the Isle shall be astonished at you and their king shall be so afraid they shall be troubled in their countenance.

40:04 The merchants among the people shall hiss at you.

40:09 You shall be a terror and never shall be anymore.

40:13 So that whole powerhouse of a economic system is gone.

40:18 As I said, I never thought about tire.

40:22 It's not, it's only because I'm doing the study of Ezekiel that I've come to appreciate just how incredibly powerful this city state was.

40:31 But prior to this, I, I knew next week, God willing will do Ezekiel 28 where Satan is called the king of Tire.

40:40 But apart from that, I and and there's some passages where Christ speaks about tire.

40:47 But I just, I would think about the mention of the name.

40:51 I wouldn't think for a minute of its power, of its glory, of its splendor.

40:56 But boy, was it powerful?

40:57 Was it glorious?

40:58 Was it, was it splendid?

41:00 Was it a spectacle?

41:02 But it's gone?

41:04 It's gone.

41:05 You shall be a terror and never shall be any more.

41:09 People are just gonna be gobs where were going to be gobsmacked at what happened to tyre.

41:15 So let's just do the first part of chapter 28.

41:18 And then God willing will continue with chapter 28.

41:22 Next week, the word of Jehovah came again unto me saying, son of man, say unto the Prince of Tire thus says, the Lord God, because your heart is lifted up.

41:35 And you have said, I am a God.

41:38 I sit in the seat of God in the midst of the seas.

41:42 And again, I would read this and I would just take it as sort of an analogy or symbolism, but I didn't, I never connected it to how powerful tyre was.

41:56 And so of course, the king of Tire, the prince of Tyre, the, the chief of Tyre would see himself as a God when all the nations all around are subservient to him and nobody can mess with him and he does what he wants because your heart is lifted up and you said I am a God.

42:17 I sit in the seat of God in the midst of the seas.

42:21 Yet you are a man and not God though.

42:25 You set your heart as the heart of God.

42:28 And this is unfortunately, what happens to men behold, you are wiser than Daniel that is in your own eyes.

42:36 You set yourself as wiser than Daniel.

42:39 There is no secret that they can hide from you with your wisdom and with your understanding, you have gotten you riches.

42:48 So it's just every year getting wealthier and wealthier and wealthier and decade after decade, getting wealthier and wealthier and giving yourself credit for that with your wisdom and with your understanding, you've gotten your riches and have gotten gold and silver into your treasures.

43:04 And then this is another thing I want to point out as well is and I heard Herbert Armstrong, I learned this from Herbert Armstrong decades ago when I first came into the church, economic prosperity and military power go hand in hand.

43:21 So Ty is sitting in the middle of all of this traffic and the cash register just keeps ringing along with that comes military power.

43:31 And so for us to foolishly facilitate the rise of China economically and think that that's not going to have military consequences.

43:41 We're fooling ourselves.

43:43 So this king, he built up all of this traffic and became extremely wealthy, but also became militarily powerful by your great wisdom and your traffic by your traffic.

43:56 You have increased your riches and your heart is lifted up because of your riches.

44:01 Therefore, thus says the Lord God because you have set your heart as the heart of God.

44:10 Behold, this is just blasphemy.

44:13 Therefore, I will bring strangers upon you, the terrible of the nations and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom and they shall defile your brightness.

44:25 They shall bring you down to the pit and you shall die.

44:28 The deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas.

44:33 Will you yet say before Him that slays you, I'm God.

44:36 So you, you, you believe you're God, but you're a man.

44:40 And when you're about to be slain, are you going to say to the person that's gonna slaughter you, that you're God, but you shall be a man and no God in the hand of Him that slays you, you shall die the death of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers.

44:58 For I have spoken.

45:01 It says the Lord God.

45:04 So that is Ezekiel will just stop there because the next section I wanna deal with separately.

45:11 But that is Ezekiel chapter 27 and the first part of chapter 28.

45:18 And as I said, this is really giving me an appreciation for what a powerhouse tire was.

45:28 So that's where we'll end today.

45:30 I've already mentioned it that Pastor Murray will be bringing.

45:34 He, he spoke last week.

45:36 So hopefully you heard that he's gonna be bringing I believe part two this coming week.

45:41 And so with that brethren will end there.

45:44 And we look forward to God Willing seeing you on Sabbath and then God Willing continuing this ancient scroll of Ezekiel with Ezekiel chapter 28.

45:55 Next week.

45:56 God bless you.

45:56 Jesus is Lord.