

## Ezekiel 25 – Judgment Upon the Nations – Relatives

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### VV1-7

Which is the first nation, after Jerusalem, to be judged?

Who are these people and how are they related to Jerusalem? Gen 19:30-38

Where else in Ezekiel is Ammon discussed? Eze 21:20-22

Who are the men of the east?

Are the children of Ammon far from the Jerusalem?

What will happen to these people and their land?

### VV8-11

How is Moab related to Jerusalem?

How is this nation related to Ammon?

Who is Seir? Gen 32:3

What do Moab and Seir say about Judah?

How do their words prove the truth of Eze 16:46-52

Will God judge the nation where Seir dwells?

Who are the men of the east? Ezekiel 21:20

### VV12-14

How was Edom related to Judah? Gen 27

What has Edom done against the house of Judah?

Why did Edom take revenge against the house of Judah?

Who else will be on the receiving end of God's vengeance?

Who is the father of Dedan? Gen 10:7

Who will be the ones to mete out God's vengeance on Edom?

### VV15-17

Who else wanted revenge against Israel?

From where did Philistia originate? Gen 10:14;

Why did the Philistines want revenge?

- Judges 13-16
- 1 Sam 17

**LESSON:** Picture it. Jerusalem is being besieged, and Ezekiel is in Babylon (the nation striking the blow against it) being provided information about those (neighbors) which are piling on to Jerusalem's troubles. These neighbors are Jerusalem's own *relatives*. Which leads me to Ezekiel 9:6: "...Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and *begin at my sanctuary.*"

This judgment on Ammon is a repeat of Ezekiel 21:20 and ripples out to the nearby neighbors, and onward to encompass those not-directly related, and then the whole world. The effects of that assault on the sanctuary rippled out over time and space; the trajectory of the destruction still felt in AD 2022. The blow that Babylon struck against the temple at Jerusalem will eventually boomerang on itself. As explained in Rev 13:10: "He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints."