

What is the Exile?

- **The fulfillment of the covenant curses of Deuteronomy 30:15-19**



⁶Then they captured the king and brought him up to the king of Babylon at Riblah, and they passed sentence on him. ⁷They slaughtered the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah and bound him in chains and took him to Babylon.



⁸In the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month—that was the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon—Nebuzaradan, the captain of the bodyguard, a servant of the king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem.



⁹And he burned the house of the Lord and the king's house and all the houses of Jerusalem; every great house he burned down. ¹⁰And all the army of the Chaldeans, who were with the captain of the guard, broke down the walls around Jerusalem.



²⁶Then all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the forces arose and went to Egypt, for they were afraid of the Chaldeans.

2 Kings 25:6-10, 26



Big_picture Bible Timeline

- **2000 b.c.—Abraham**
- **1000 b.c.—David**
 - **722 b.c.—Israel exiled by Assyrian empire**
 - **586 b.c.—Judah exiled by Babylonian empire**
- **1 a.d.—Jesus**



The 5 Major Prophets and the 12 Minor Prophets

- **God speaks to His people in trouble**
 - **What does God say?**
 - **reality, repentance, rescue**
 - **When does God say it?**
 - **before the exile, during the exile and after the exile**



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- **Ahaz—ch. 7**

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⁷thus says the Lord God: "It shall not stand, and it shall not come to pass. ⁸For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin. And within sixty-five years Ephraim will be shattered from being a people.



⁹And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah. If you are not firm in faith, you will not be firm at all.'"

Isaiah 7:7-9



**Those who make them become like them;
so do all who trust in them.**

Psalm 115:8



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And the Rabshakeh said to them, "Say to Hezekiah, 'Thus says the great king, the king of Assyria: On what do you rest this trust of yours?"

Isaiah 36:4



¹⁴Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up to the house of the Lord, and spread it before the Lord.



¹⁵ And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord: ¹⁶ "O Lord of hosts, God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth.



¹⁷Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear; open your eyes, O Lord, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to mock the living God. ¹⁸Truly, O Lord, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations and their lands,



¹⁹and have cast their gods into the fire. For they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone. Therefore they were destroyed.



²⁰So now, O Lord our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone are the Lord."

Isaiah 37:14-20



**⁸Those who make them become like them;
so do all who trust in them. ⁹O Israel, trust
in the Lord! He is their help and their shield.**

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Learn from: Isaiah

- **When there is trouble, trust God**



“What is an idol?...Anything you seek to give you what only God can give.”

—*Tim Keller, Counterfeit Gods*



Live by: Isaiah 6

- **When there is trouble...**
 - **Trust God will use your circumstances for His purposes — v.1**
 - **Trust God's glory, though hidden, is present — v.3**



“The world says, the favored life is recovering from cancer. I want to suggest, the favored life includes the cancer.”

Carol Kaminski
CASKET EMPTY seminar
Feb. 8, 2020



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 - **Trust God's Gospel—vv.5-6**
 - **Trust God has an assignment for you in the midst of the trouble—v.8**

Let others know: Isaiah

- **How has God proved trustworthy in the midst of your trouble?**

