

| VS. | Links | Persons | EWords | Locators | Helpers | Locations | Things |
|-----|--------------------------------|--|---|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| 10 | <u>"This</u> <u>because</u> | <u>these evil prophets</u> <u>my people</u> | <u>will happen</u> <u>deceive</u> <u>saying,</u> <u>is</u> <u>when</u> <u>is</u> | | <u>by</u> | | <u>'All</u> <u>peaceful'</u> <u>no peace</u> <u>all!</u> <u>It</u> |
| | | <u>as if</u> <u>the people</u> <u>and</u> <u>these prophets</u> | <u>'s</u> <u>have built</u> <u>are trying to reinforce</u> <u>covering</u> | <u>at</u> | | <u>there</u> | <u>a flimsy wall,</u> <u>it</u> <u>it</u> <u>whitewash!</u> |
| 11 | | <u>these whitewashers</u> <u>their</u> | <u>Tell</u> <u>will</u> <u>fall down.</u> <u>will undermine</u> <u>will knock</u> <u>down.</u> | | <u>by</u> <u>with</u> | | <u>that</u> <u>wall</u> <u>soon</u> <u>A heavy rainstorm</u> <u>it;</u> <u>great hailstones</u> <u>and</u> <u>mighty winds</u> <u>it</u> |
| 12 | <u>And</u> | | <u>when</u> | | | | <u>the wall</u> |

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|----|--------------------|--------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| | | falls, | | |
| | the people | will cry out, | | 'What |
| | | happened | to | |
| 13 | "Therefore, | | | whitewash?' |
| | your | | | this |
| | | is | | what |
| | the Sovereign LORD | says: | | |
| | I | will sweep away | | |
| | your | | | whitewashed wall |
| | | | with | a storm of indignation, |
| | | | with | a great flood of anger, |
| | | | and | |
| | | | with | hailstones of fury. |
| 14 | I | will break down | | |
| | your | | | wall |
| | | | right | |
| | | | to | its foundation, |
| | | and when | | it |
| | | falls, | | it |
| | | will crush | | |
| | you. | | | |
| | you | will know | | that |
| | I | am | | |
| | the LORD. | | | |
| 15 | | | At | last |
| | my | | | anger |
| | | | against | the wall |
| | and | | | |
| | those who | covered | | it |
| | | | with | whitewash |
| | | will be satisfied. | | |

Then I will say to
 you:
 and
 those who whitewashed
 are
 gone.
 They were
 lying prophets who claimed
 would come to Jerusalem
 when there
 was no peace.
 I,
 the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!

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| 10 | 1 | "This will happen | Points back to God's hostile acts in v.9 | | ✓ | |
| | | because | Introduces the reason for those acts | | ✓ | |
| | 2 | these evil prophets deceive my people | Spells out the reason | | ✓ | |
| | 3 | by saying, 'All is peaceful' | Explains how the false prophets deceive | | ✓ | |
| | | when | At the same time | | ✓ | |
| | 4 | there is no peace at all! | Describes the reality they contradict | | ✓ | |
| | 5 | It's as if | Imaginary situation created by deception | ✓ | | |
| | 6 | the people have built a flimsy wall, | What the people might have done | ✓ | | |
| | | and | Plus | ✓ | | |
| | 7 | these prophets are trying to reinforce it | What the prophets actually have done | | ✓ | |
| | 8 | by covering it with whitewash! | Explains how the prophets reinforced it | | ✓ | |
| 11 | 1 | Tell these whitewashers | Context links v.11 to v.10 w/whitewashers | ✓ | | |
| | 2 | that their wall will soon fall down. | The message Zeke should Tell the white guys | | | ✓ |
| | 3 | A heavy rainstorm will undermine it; | Describes how the wall will fall down | | | ✓ |
| | 4 | great hailstones and mighty winds will knock it down. | Continues the description from Line 3 | | | ✓ |
| 12 | And | | V.12 adds more details about the wall's fall | ✓ | | |
| | | when | At the same time | ✓ | | |

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| 13 | 1 | the wall falls, | Refers back to the wall's fall in v.11, Line 2 | | ✓ | |
| | 2 | the people will cry out, | Describes what else will happen when the wall falls | | ✓ | |
| | 3 | 'What happened to your whitewash?' | Spells out what the people will cry out | | ✓ | |
| | Therefore, | | Announces the effect caused by false prophecies | | | ✓ |
| | 1 | this is what the Sovereign LORD says: | The LORD gives His take on reality denied by the phonies | | | ✓ |
| 14 | 2 | I will sweep away your whitewashed wall | The LORD personally announces what He will really do | | | ✓ |
| | 3 | with a storm of indignation, | Describes how He will sweep away your whitewashed wall | | | ✓ |
| | 4 | with a great flood of anger, | Continues the description | | | ✓ |
| | | and | Adds another detail | | | ✓ |
| | 5 | with hailstones of fury. | Continues the description | | | ✓ |
| 15 | 1 | I will break down your wall | Continues the description with new details | | ✓ | |
| | 2 | right to its foundation, | Explains how the wall can be swept off its foundation | | ✓ | |
| | | and | plus, equally important | ✓ | | |
| | | when | at the same time | ✓ | | |
| | 3 | it falls, | confirms the wall will fall | ✓ | | |
| 16 | 4 | it will crush you. | The other equally important detail: the false prophets' end' | ✓ | | |
| | Then | | Next, as a result | | | ✓ |
| | 5 | you will know | the effect of their destruction | | | ✓ |
| | 6 | that I am the LORD. | spells out what they will know | | | ✓ |
| | 1 | At last my anger will be satisfied. | Links with anger in v.13, L4 as reaching its goal | | | |
| 17 | 2 | against the wall | when the wall destroys the false prophets | | | |
| | | and | plus, equally important (dual destiny) | | | |
| | 3 | those who covered it with whitewash | describes the false prophets acc. to v.10, L8, v.11, L1 | | | |
| | Then | | Next, or after that | | | |
| | 4 | I will say to you: | The Eternal One finally speaks directly to the false prophets | | | |
| 18 | 5 | 'The wall and those who whitewashed it | Refers back to L2, and L3 | | | |
| | 6 | are both gone. | The wall and phonies share the same destiny: extinction | | | |
| | 1 | They were lying prophets | Continues description tying v.16, L1 with v.10, L1 (Sums up) | | | |
| | 2 | who claimed peace would come to Jerusalem | Ties L2 with v.10, L3 | | | |
| | | when | at the same time | | | |
| 19 | 3 | there was no peace. | Ties L3 with v.10, L4 | | | |
| | 4 | I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken! | Announces He is finished talking about what began in v.13, L1 | | | |

BIOGRAPHIES

[these evil prophets](#) spokesmen whose predictions tie the present to the past and the future to the present in a harmful way

[my people](#) the Eternal One's extended family

[the people](#) everyone in the Promised Land

[these whitewashers](#) the evil prophets who deliberately attempt to conceal unpleasant facts about the present situation

[the Sovereign LORD](#) The unstoppable, Eternal One

[the LORD](#) the Eternal One

[lying prophets](#) spokesmen who utter falsehoods to deceive

GEOGRAPHIES

[There](#) Jerusalem and the Promised Land

[at all](#) in any way, to any extent

[to your whitewash](#) points to/at the evil prophets' attempt to conceal unpleasant facts (reality about our situation)

[to its foundation](#) points to/at the base of Jerusalem's wall that supports it

[At last](#) after [much](#) delay

[against the wall](#) next to the tall stone or brick structure intended for a defense or security

[to you](#) everyone in the Promised Land as the destination

[to Jerusalem](#) the city as the destination for peace

WORD STUDIES

[will happen](#) take place, or occur

[deceive](#) To mislead the mind; to cause to err; to cause to believe what is false, or disbelieve what is true

[saying](#) utter in words

[is](#) exist (=)

[have built](#) frame, raise, construct, form, shape

[are trying to reinforce](#) to strengthen by new assistance or support

[covering](#) to coat and so conceal or hide

[tell](#) to inform

[fall down](#) collapse

[will undermine](#) to sabotage, subvert, or weaken

[will knock down](#) overwhelm and topple

[will cry out](#) to demand with a loud voice

[will sweep away](#) To carry off by force

will break down will pull down, break in pieces, pulverize, or destroy

will crush reduce to powder

will know recognize, realize, understand

will be satisfied be completed, ruin its course, reach its goal

whitewashed concealed, or hid unpleasant facts (reality about our situation)

are gone are history, have disappeared

were claimed asserted, insisted, or maintained as right but wasn't

would come is on its way

have spoken have expressed thoughts by words

THING PROFILES

Peace safety, prosperity (the absence of conflict)

a flimsy wall a separate, outer wall (a fence) w/o foundation

wall the wall that is part of the city's foundation

A heavy rainstorm hurricane, cyclone, typhoon

Great hailstones divine, supernatural, overpowering rocks, boulders

mighty winds whirlwind, as if God were blowing down the walls

a storm of indignation a hurricane consisting of anger or annoyance provoked by what is perceived as unfair treatment (heat up)

a great flood of anger torrential rain consisting of rapid breathing, or flaring nostrils (blows)

hailstones of fury boulders consisting of wild, violent temper

its foundation the bottom support

INSIGHTS

10 The false prophets deceive others because they do not face reality. They have generated a fairy tale where the people defend themselves with ridiculous excuses and the false prophets swear to them.

11 Making excuses can't change reality. We still have to settle accounts with God based on the facts.

12 When the time comes to face the consequences, the people who tried to excuse their sins will shift the blame to the false prophets.

13 Because lying about reality and covering up reality can't change a thing, God will eventually carry out His judgment that the people have deserved all along.

14 What goes around comes around. Covering up for excuse makers will not help you to avoid their fate. When they get judged, so will you.

15 God is just as upset with those who cover up for them as He is with the excuse makers. God will kill both culprits with one stone.

16 The false prophets deny reality and make it possible for excuse makers to keep their fantasy going. By holding both the excuse makers and the whitewashers accountable, the LORD will force them to face reality in the end.

INTERPRETATION

- 10 God will raise his fist against the false prophets, banish them from the community of Israel, and blot their names from Israel's record books because spokesmen whose predictions tie the present to the past and the future to the present in a harmful way cause the Eternal One's people to believe what is false, or disbelieve what is true by uttering in words everything is ok at the same time nothing is safe. Their deception has created the fantasy that the Eternal One's people have constructed a foundationless fence that the deceivers are trying to strengthen with their assistance and support by coating it with lies meant to conceal or hide the truth.
- 11 Inform these liars who are trying to hide the truth that their fence will collapse. A divine hurricane will sabotage it, plus supernatural boulders and a whirlwind from God will overwhelm and topple it.
- 12 The LORD adds, at the same time the wall collapses everyone in the Promised Land will demand with a loud voice: what became of your cover-up meant to hide the unpleasant facts of reality?
- 13 So, in view of this development, the unstoppable One has this to say: I, the Eternal One will carry off by force your imaginary wall meant to conceal the unpleasant facts of reality using a divine hurricane of anger or annoyance provoked by what is perceived as unfair treatment, a torrential rain of rapid breathing from my flaring nostrils, plus boulders of wild, violent temper.