



The Grind

Savor the taste of our previous brew



Since everything in the Bible leads into and prepares the way for what comes after it, refresh yesterday's Brew to let the previous passage get you ready for today's verses. Though you should have already explored the passage, personally with Jesus, here is the heart of what we saw, together.

In the previous passage, verses 30-34, God calls Israel an adulterous (unfaithful) wife.

V.	Line	Thoughts/Events/Actions	Explanation		
30		What a sick heart you have	You, Israel suffer from serious emotional/mental problems at your core		
	2	says the Sovereign LORD,	To quote the Unstoppable One		
	3	to do such things as these,	in order to act the way I reported in the previous passage		
	4	_	ute. Behaving the same way as a woman who brags about her sex for money		
31		You build your pagan shrines	You, Israel erect personal holy places unauthorized by God, built to please idols		
	2	on every street corner	at each and every intersection		
	3	and your altars to idols	plus places unauthorized by God, for you to offer sacrifices intended for false gods		
	4	in every square.	at every single open public space in town		
	5	In fact,	To tell the truth,		
	6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	rostitute, you, Israel historically demonstrated lower standards than a woman who has		
	Ū	<u> </u>	sex for money		
	7	so eager for sin	wanting to cheat on the LORD, your covenant husband to such a great extent		
	8		ided payment. You, Israel, my wife completely failed to insist on wages		
32	•	Yes,	Like I already said,		
	1	you are an adulterous wife	you, Israel amount to a married woman who has sex for money with men other than her		
	•	<u> </u>	husband		
	2	who takes in strangers	a married woman who welcomes outsiders		
	3	instead of her own husband.	in the place of the man she married		
33	1		vices Women who have sex for money expect to get paid in exchange for what they do		
	2	-but not you!	However, that excludes you, Israel		
	3	You give gifts to your lovers,	You, my wife freely transfer possession of presents I gave you to your sex partners		
	4	bribing them to come	using your dowry to attract sex partners		
	5	and have sex with you.	to engage in forbidden acts of male/female intimacy in your bed		
34		<u>So</u>	Given that,		
	1		ostitutes. You, Israel, my wife stand in sharp contrast to other women who make a living		
		having sex for money			
	2	You pay your lovers	You, my wife hand over the money due for your services to your sex partners		
	3	instead of their paying you!	Rather than your sex partners handing it over to you.		



Let us pour you a fresh cup, ground verse-by-verse from today's passage

<u>In today's passage</u>, verses 35-41, God lowers the boom on Israel, His unfaithful wife. So please open your Bibles to Ezekiel Chapter 16, and let me pour you a hot CuppaJesus from today's brew, starting with v. 35.



WHAT TO LOOK FOR TODAY

Here are the main items in the text that will lead you to its understanding.

Parts	Verse 35	Verse 36	Verse 37	Verse 38	Verse 39	Verse 40	Verse 41
Links	Therefore	Because, and, and because 2x, as	Both, and 2x, so	And	Then, and 3x	And	And 2x
Persons	You, prostitute (Isr.), the LORD	You 3x, yourself, your 4x (Isr.), the Sovereign LORD, all your lovers, children	I 3x (t. LORD), your, you 5x (Rebs), t. lovers whom, they, them	I 2x, my (t. LORD), you 2x, your	I (t. LORD), you 4x, your 4x (Rebs), who, lovers, they 2x	They (lovers), you 2x (Rebs)	They, many lovers, your 4x, you (Rebs), many women, I (t. LORD)
Places	To, from	In, to 2x	In front of, at	In	To these many nations, to	ln	Homes, in front, to
Things	This message	This, what, lust, prostitution, detestable idols, sacrifices, gods	This, what, all allies, those 2x	Murder, adultery, blood, jealous fury	Pagan shrines the altars, idols, beautiful jewels, stark naked	Mob, swords	Prostitution, payments
EWords	Listen	Is, says, have poured out, exposed, have worshiped, have slaughtered	Is, am going to do, will gather together, have sinned, loved, hated will strip, naked, can stare	Will punish, will cover	Will give, are, will destroy, will knock down, will strip, take, leaving	Will band together, to stone, cut up	Will burn, punish, will stop, end
Helpers			With	For, with		With	

Pay careful attention to every item as you follow today's devotional in your study Bible. We have already grouped them by <u>colors</u> under Today's Text, so you can follow the writer's flow of thought for yourself. Capture what he is trying to tell you. Use matching color pencils to draw lines connecting items to others in the same color family. A black pen can cross-link things from different color-families that still have something to do with one another. Utilize circles, boxes, triangles, etc. to identify topics and themes (triangles, for instance, might represent the Trinity). Also, mark the ones you need to look up later for more information or details with asterisks, etc.

TODAY'S TEXT

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION

- ³⁵ "Therefore, you prostitute, listen to this message from the LORD!
- ³⁶ This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Because you have poured out your lust and exposed yourself in prostitution to all your lovers, and because you have worshiped detestable idols, and because you have slaughtered your children as sacrifices to your gods,
- ³⁷ this is what I am going to do. I will gather together all your allies—the lovers with whom you have sinned, both those you loved and those you hated—and I will strip you naked in front of them so they can stare at you.
- ³⁸ I will punish you for your murder and adultery. I will cover you with blood in my jealous fury.
- ³⁹ Then I will give you to these many nations who are your lovers, and they will destroy you. They will knock down your pagan shrines and the altars to your idols. They will strip you and take your beautiful jewels, leaving you stark naked.
- ⁴⁰ They will band together in a mob to stone you and cut you up with swords.
- ⁴¹ They will burn your homes and punish you in front of many women. I will stop your prostitution and end your payments to your many lovers.

THE EXPANDED BIBLE

³⁵ "So, prostitute, hear the word of the LORD.

- ³⁶ This is what the Lord God says: You ·showed your nakedness [Left poured out your lust] and ·uncovered your body [Lexposed your nakedness] in your ·sexual sins [prostitution; promiscuity] with your lovers and with all your ·hateful [detestable; abominable] idols. You killed your children and offered their blood to your idols.
- ³⁷ So [Llook; Tbehold] I will gather all your lovers with whom you found pleasure. Yes, I will gather all those you loved and those you hated. I will gather them against you from all around, and I will strip you naked in front of them so they can see your nakedness [Can act of humiliation and shame; Jer. 13:22, 26; Nah. 3:5].
- ³⁸ I will punish you as women guilty of adultery or as ·murderers [Lthose who shed blood] are punished. I will ·put you to death [Lbring blood upon you; or avenge your bloody deeds] because I am angry and jealous.
- ³⁹ I will also ·hand you over to your lovers [Ligive you into their hands]. They will tear down your ·places of worship [pagan shrines; chambers; mounds] and destroy ·other places where you worship gods [your lofty shrines; or pavilions; <u>v. 24</u>]. They will ·tear [strip] off your clothes and take away your beautiful jewelry, leaving you naked and bare.
- ⁴⁰ They will bring a crowd against you to throw stones at you and to cut you into pieces with their swords.
- ⁴¹ They will burn down your houses and will ·punish you [execute judgments] in ·front [the sight of] of many women. I will put an end to your ·sexual sins [prostitution], and you will no longer ·pay [give gifts to] your lovers.

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- ³⁵ 'Therefore, O whore, hear the word of יהוה!
- ³⁶ 'Thus said the Master יהוה, "Because your copper was poured out and your nakedness uncovered in your whorings with your lovers, and with the idols of your abominations, and because of the blood of your children which you gave to them,
- ³⁷ therefore, see, I am gathering all your lovers with whom you took pleasure, all those you loved, with all those you hated. And I shall gather them from all around against you and shall uncover your nakedness to them, and they shall see all your nakedness."
- ³⁸ "And I shall judge you with judgments of adulteresses and shedders of blood. And I shall bring on you the blood of wrath and jealousy.
- ³⁹ "And I shall give you into their hand, and they shall throw your arched place down, and they shall break down your high places. And they shall strip you of your garments, and they shall take your splendid adornments, and leave you naked and bare.
- ⁴⁰ "And they shall bring up an assembly against you, and they shall stone you with stones and thrust you through with their swords,
- ⁴¹ and burn your houses with fire, and execute judgments on you before the eyes of many women. And I shall make you stop whoring, and no longer give gifts."

THE NET BIBLE

- ³⁵ "Therefore O prostitute, hear the word of the LORD:
- ³⁶ This is what the sovereign LORD says: Because your lust²⁶ was poured out and your nakedness was uncovered in your prostitution with your lovers, and because of all your detestable idols, and because of the blood of your children you have given to them,
- ³⁷ therefore, take note: I am about to gather all your lovers whom you enjoyed, both all those you loved and all those you hated. I will gather them against you from all around, and I will expose your nakedness to them, and they will see all your nakedness.²⁷
- ³⁸ I will punish you as an adulteress and murderer deserves. ²⁸ I will avenge your bloody deeds with furious rage. ²⁹
- ³⁹ I will give you into their hands and they will destroy your chambers and tear down your pavilions. They will strip you of your clothing and take your beautiful jewelry and leave you naked and bare.
- ⁴⁰ They will summon a mob who will stone you and hack you in pieces with their swords.
- ⁴¹ They will burn down your houses and execute judgments on you in front of many women. Thus, I will put a stop to your prostitution, and you will no longer give gifts to your clients.³⁰

TODAY'S DEVOTIONAL:

V. Line	Thoughts/Events/Actions	<u>Explanation</u>
35	"Therefore,	Based on what I said in the previous passage
1	you prostitute,	you, Israel/J/R/E, a woman who sells her body for money
2	listen to this message	Pay attention to the following divine communication
3	from the LORD!	generated by the Eternal One!
³⁶ 1	This is what	Here comes the announcement
2	the Sovereign LORD says:	in the Unstoppable One's words:
	<u>Because</u>	On the grounds
3	you have poured out your lust	you, Israel/J/R/E have emptied your sexual desire

4	ļ	and exposed yourself	as well as publicly, indecently displayed yourself
5	5	in prostitution	selling your body for money
6	5	to all your lovers,	to one sex partner after another
7	7	and because you have worshiped detestable idols, ^a	plus bowed down and adored disgusting substitutes for the LORD, your covenant husband
8	3	and because you have slaughtered your children	plus killed your own kids in a cruel, violent way
9)	as sacrifices to your gods,	considering your false gods more valuable than them
³⁷ 1		this is what	Here comes the reaction
2	<u>)</u>	I am going to do.	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One am about to execute
3	5	I will gather together	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will assemble
4	ŀ	all your allies	each and every single one of your bed partners
5	<u>, </u>	-the lovers with whom you have sinned,	the ones who committed forbidden female/male acts with you in your husband's bed
6	S	both those you loved	including the bed partners who stimulated you
7		and those you hated	as well as the ones who didn't
8		—and I will strip you naked	on top of that, I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will take off all your clothes
9)	in front of them	before the lovers with whom you have sinned
1	0	so they can stare at you.	To make it possible for them to gawk at you
³⁸ 1		I will punish you	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will make you, Israel/J/R/E pay the fines
2	<u>)</u>	for your murder and adultery.	That matches your unlawful premeditated killing of your own children plus cheating on me
3	5	I will cover you with blood	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will engulf you in your own life fluid from head to toe
4	ļ	in my jealous fury.	demanded by my outrage at your unfaithfulness
39		<u>Then</u>	After that
1		I <u>will give</u> you	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will deliver you
2	<u> </u>	to these many nations	into the hands of the lovers with whom you have sinned
3	5	who are your lovers,	your bed partners
4	ļ	and they will destroy you.	so they can devastate you.
5	5	They will knock down	Your bed partners will tear down and flatten
6	ò	your pagan shrines	the places you heretics considered sacred because you dedicated them to so-called gods other than Me
7	7	and the altars to your idols.	As well as the tables where you gave up your children for the bed partners you considered more valuable than your children
8	3	They will strip you	Your bed partners will undress you
9)	and take your beautiful jewels,	plus confiscate your eye-catching personal ornaments (that I gave you as part of your dowry)
1	0	leaving you stark naked.	so you end up absolutely nude (like I found you)
⁴⁰ 1		They will band together	Your bed partners will team up
2	<u> </u>	<u>in</u> <u>a mob</u>	as a disorderly crowd of people intent on causing trouble or violence
3	5	to stone you	to throw stones (rocks) at you
4	ļ	and cut you up with swords.	Plus slash you to pieces using long, sharp metal blades
⁴¹ 1		They will burn your homes	Your bed partners will set fire to the places where you personally, live
2	2	and punish you	paying you back for what you've done
3	5	in front of many women.	in the presence of numerous females (the wives of your lovers?)
4	ŀ	I will stop your prostitution	I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will halt your sex for money





A Tastier CuppaJ

Let Jesus pour you a fuller bodied, more flavorful CuppaJ from today's brew

Well, we hope you enjoyed this morning's CuppaJ for the Day, brewed verse-by-verse to bring out the full-flavor of the text. Now it's your turn to explore the passage for yourself—to make this study good to the last drop. Remember, you haven't really studied the Bible, God's *Written* Word—until it connects you with Jesus, God's *Living* Word. Then Jesus, the true Teacher can customize the text, so every word comes across written just for you.

This morning's CuppaJ is just a taste of what's in the text—the starting point for a deeper learning experience with Jesus. So, go ahead; spend time alone with Him to go over this passage together. Let Jesus pour a tastier CuppaJ from the same brew, for you, today. Use the following form to jot down whatever Jesus shares with you.

Bible Study



- 1. Open your Bible to today's passage and review today's brew.
- 2. Savor the passage, one verse at a time, listening for God's still small voice.
- 3. **Follow** the trail you marked in each verse, **pause** to look up the terms you flagged for further consideration, and **write** whatever the Spirit brings to mind.

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