

The **BIG PICTURE**

S-O-M-E. S = Situation a process of zeroing in from the Background of the book to the Immediate Context of the passage. It begins with flying over the text for an Aerial View of the situation - the so-called Big Picture of the book (AABS.47)

B A C K G R O U N D	Book: Ezekiel	Passage: 16:35-41
	Who wrote the book? Ezekiel	What does he say about himself? Son of Buzi, a Zadokite priest
	To whom did he write it? The Jews	What does he say about him/her/it? In captivity, in Babylon
	Who did he write about to him/her/it? Ezekiel, Israel's leaders, Ezekiel's wife, Nebuchadnezzar, "the prince"	What does he say about him/her/it?
	When did he write the book? Around 591BC	When does the book take place? During the Babylonian exile
	Where did he write the book? In Babylon	Where does the book take place? In Jerusalem, Babylon, Egypt
	Why did he write the book? To announce God's judgment on Israel and other nations and to foretell the eventual salvation of God's people	

The **SNAPSHOT**

<p>MAIN headings of the book outline + chapters and verses</p> <p>A. Messages of Doom [1:1-24:27] B. Messages Against Other Nations [25:1-32:32] C. Messages of Hope [33:1-48:35] D. E. F. G. H.</p>
<p>Which heading includes your passage Messages of Doom [1:1-24:27]</p>
<p>Based on the heading, briefly state the part your passage plays in it GOD SUMS UP PAYBACK TO ISRAEL AND EXPLAINS WHY SHE CHEATED ON HIM TO PRONOUNCE DOOM ON HER.</p>

The **SETTING**

Passage BEFORE	SUBHEADING: Outraged Husband	C/V: 16:35-41
ACTUAL Passage	SUBHEADING: Payback	C/V: 16:42-45
Passage AFTER	SUBHEADING: Her Wicked Sisters	C/V: 16:46-52

S-O-M-E. O = Observation, the time to eyeball, explore, and analyze the text for yourself. Start by pasting the text of your passage into this box. Then use the power of color to divide the text into links, people, places, things, e-words and helpers (AABS.60-61; 123-127)

THOUGHT DIAGRAM [To get better acquainted with the parts of the text]

Vs.	Linking Words	Persons	Empowering Words	Helpers	Locators	Places	Things
42	Then	my			at		last fury
		you and my	will be spent,		against		jealous anger
		I	will subside. will be calm and will not be angry	with anymore. first,			
43	But	you	because have not remembered				youth
		you your	but have angered	by			all these evil things,
		me	doing will repay	fully			
		I			for of		all sins,
		you	says				
	For	the Sovereign LORD. you	have added		to		lewd acts all detestable sins. proverbs
44		your Everyone who	makes up will say	of			
		you, 'Like mother, like daughter.'					
45	For	your mother her husband and her children,	loathed				
		you. you like your sisters, for they their husbands and their children. your mother a Hittite and your father an Amorite.	and so do	are	exactly		
	And		despised				
			was	Truly			

THOUGHT/EVENT/ACTION LIST [To reassemble the parts into bite-sized thoughts/events/actions that make sense]

V	Line	Event/Action
42		Then at last

my fury against you
will be spent,
and
my jealous anger
will subside.
I will be calm
and
will not be angry with you anymore.

43 But
first,
because you have not remembered your youth
but
have angered me
by doing all these evil things,
I will fully repay you
for all of your sins,
says the Sovereign LORD.

For
you have added lewd acts
to all your detestable sins.
44 Everyone who makes up proverbs
will say of you,
'Like mother,
like daughter.'

45 For
your mother loathed her husband
and her children,
and so do you.
And
you are exactly like your sisters,
for
they despised their husbands
and their children.
Truly
your mother was a Hittite
and
your father an Amorite.

FLOW CHART [Capture the way the writer connected everything in the text into one, continuous stream of thought or story]

V. Line Events/Actions/Thoughts

Link

42	Then	Tells us what happens next follows or is a consequence of what happened before
	at last	Looks back at what happened as finished
	my fury against you	Tells us God's outrage in the previous passage
	will be spent,	will run out/be used up
	and	Adds
	my jealous anger	Tells us that God's negative feelings
	will subside.	Will peter out

43	<p><u>I will be calm</u> <u>and</u> <u>will not be angry with you anymore.</u> <u>But</u> <u>first,</u> <u>because you have not remembered your youth</u> <u>but</u> <u>have angered me</u> <u>by doing all these evil things,</u> <u>I will fully repay you</u> <u>for all of your sins,</u> <u>says the Sovereign LORD.</u></p> <p><u>For</u> <u>you have added lewd acts</u> <u>to all your detestable sins.</u></p>	<p>Tells us God's state after fury is spent and jealous anger subsides Adds Tells us God's attitude after fury is spent and jealous anger subsides Introduces something unexpected Tells us that before anything us Gives us the reason for what follows: what she didn't do Sets up a contrast Tells us what she did do Tells us how she angered the LORD Tells us what God is going to do Tells us the extent of what God is going to do Tells us who is pronouncing doom on Israel/Ezekiel repeats what God tells him Tells us the reason or grounds for demanding payment in full Tells us Israel added affairs</p>
44	<p><u>Everyone who makes up proverbs</u> <u>will say of you,</u> <u>'Like mother,</u> <u>like daughter.'</u></p>	<p>On top of every time she broke God's Law Tells us how people will react to what Israel has done Tells us what they think of you Sets up a maternal comparison Sets up a sororal comparison</p>
45	<p><u>For</u> <u>your mother loathed her husband</u> <u>and her children,</u> <u>and so do you.</u> <u>And</u> <u>you are exactly like your sisters,</u> <u>for</u> <u>they despised their husbands</u> <u>and their children.</u> <u>Truly</u> <u>your mother was a Hittite</u> <u>and</u> <u>your father an Amorite.</u></p>	<p>Tells us the reason for the proverb-writer's opinion Tells us what Israel's mother did Adds offspring to her husband Reaches a conclusion: Israel imitates her mom Adds Sets up a more precise sororal comparison Introduces an explanation for the comparison Tells us they did the same thing to their husbands like their mother Adds their offspring to their husbands Tells us God agrees with the proverb God traces I/J/R/E's behavior to her ungodly mother Plus Her ungodly Dad</p>

DEFINITIONS and DESCRIPTIONS To Capture the Root Ideas of the Text

S-O-M-E. M = Meaning is the process of leading truth out of the text. Start by using Bible Dictionaries, Handbooks, or Encyclopedias to create **biographies** of all persons, **geographies** of each location, and **profiles** of the things in the text. Then use Strong's Concordance, the Oxford Dictionary, or the website www.webstersdictionary1828.com to compile **word studies** of every e-word/helper you found in the text.

BIOGRAPHIES [Persons]

<u>My</u>	belonging to the Eternal Unstoppable LORD
<u>You</u>	Israel/J/R/E
<u>I</u>	the Eternal Unstoppable LORD referring to Himself
<u>Your</u>	belonging to Israel/J/R/E
<u>Me</u>	the Eternal Unstoppable LORD referring to Himself
<u>the Sovereign LORD</u>	the Eternal Unstoppable One
<u>everyone who</u>	anybody
<u>mother</u>	a woman who has children

daughter	a female child
husband	a married man
children	boys and girls (who share the same parents with I/J/R/E)
sisters	daughters of parents; females who share the same parents
father	a man who has children
a Hittite	member of an ancient people (Canaanite and Syrian) who established an empire in Asia Minor and Syria that flourished from c. 1700 to c. 1200 bc.
an Amorite	a member of a seminomadic people living in Mesopotamia, Palestine, and Syria in the 3 rd millennium BC, founders of the ancient city of Mari on the Euphrates

GEOGRAPHIES [Locations]

at last	after the long period of time recorded in the previous passage (in verses 37-41)
against you	aimed at I/J/R/E
to all your detestable sins	points at I/J/R/E's sinful past

PROFILES [Things]

Last	the end
Fury	wild or violent feelings of displeasure or hostility
Jealous anger	displeasure or hostility provoked by I/J/R/E's unfaithfulness
Youth	earlier time of life or stage of development
All these evil things	the whole bunch of sins listed in verses 35, 36
All sins	the whole bunch of nauseating violations of God's Law
Lewd acts	crude and offensive sexual acts
All detestable sins	the whole bunch of nauseating violations of God's Law
Proverbs	short sayings of general truth or advice

WORD STUDIES [EWords/Helpers]

Will be spent	will be exhausted/used up/run out
Will be calm	will be at peace (unlike before)
will subside	will peter out
will not be angry	will stop feeling hostile
have not remembered	have refused to recall the way things used to be when we loved each other
have angered	made mad, full of violent feelings, turned against
doing	carrying out
will repay	will pay back, will give you what you have earned and deserve (consequences of your sins)
says	quotes, repeats word for word
have added	have intensified/magnified/heightened
makes up	invents, creates, composes
will say	will use the words
loathed	hated, despise
do	act, behave, carry out
are	(=)
despised	feeling that her husband and children were beneath consideration/worthless, deserve disrespect
was	(=)
with	at/toward
anymore	ever again
first	before anything else
by	intros the means by which something is done
fully	completely, (all-encompassing)
for	in accordance with, matching
of	ties together ALL and SINS (composition/content)

of about
 exactly precisely
 truly absolutely

INTERPRETATION [To explain the text as accurately as you can]

V. Line	Thoughts/Events/Actions	Explanation
42	<p>Then at last my fury against you will be spent, and my jealous anger will subside. I will be calm and will not be angry with you anymore.</p>	<p>After that finally My, the Eternal Unstoppable One's hostility aimed at I/J/R/E will be exhausted plus My hostile attitude provoked by I/J/R/E's unfaithfulness will peter out. I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will return to peace and as a result will stop feeling hostile toward you, I/J/R/E ever again.</p>
43	<p>But first, because you have not remembered your youth but have angered me by doing all these evil things, I will fully repay you for all of your sins, says the Sovereign LORD. For you have added lewd acts to all your detestable sins.</p>	<p>Despite that before anything else on account of your refusal to keep loving me the way you used to and instead made Me full of hostile feelings, carrying out the whole batch of sins I mentioned in verses 35, 36, I, the Eternal Unstoppable One will give you, I/J/R/E what you deserve what you have earned with your whole batch of nauseating violations of our (divine) marriage agreement, to quote the Eternal Unstoppable One. Because your crude, offensive sexual acts have intensified your other nauseating behaviors and make me want to throw up more than ever (shades of Laodicea).</p>
44	<p>Everyone who makes up proverbs will say of you, 'Like mother, like daughter.'</p>	<p>Whoever composes short sayings of general truth or advice will use the following words to describe you, I/J/R/E 'You are the spitting image of your pagan mother.'</p>
45	<p>For your mother loathed her husband and her children, and so do you. And you are exactly like your sisters, for they despised their husbands and their children. Truly your mother was a Hittite and your father an Amorite.</p>	<p>Because your female ancestor despised her male marriage partner as well as her offspring And it turns out, you, I/J/R/E imitate her. What's more you, I/J/R/E are a carbon copy of your female siblings because your sisters disrespected their male marriage partners, too as well as their offspring. Without doubt your female ancestor came from Canaan while your male ancestor came from Babylonian stock.</p>