

Jeremiah 2-17

St. Raymond's Adult Bible Study
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PRAYER BEFORE READING THE BIBLE

SHINE within my heart, Loving Master, the pure light of Your Divine knowledge, and open the eyes of my mind that I may understand Your teaching. Instill in me reverence for Your commandments, so that having conquered my sinful desires, I may pursue a spiritual way of life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing in Your sight. For You, Christ our God, are my light and my life, and to You we render glory together with Your Eternal Father ✠ and Your All-Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen.

+ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

Chapter 9

The Valley of Dry Bones



Ezekiel 37:1-2

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; **it was full of bones.**

Ezekiel 37:1-2

And he led me round among them; and behold, there were very many upon the valley; and **lo, they were very dry.**



Ezekiel 37:3

And he said to me, “Son of man, **can these bones live?**” And I answered, “O Lord God, thou knowest.”

Ezekiel 37:4-5

Again he said to me,

“Prophecy to these bones,

and say to them, O dry bones,

hear the word of the Lord.

Ezekiel 37:4-5

Thus says the Lord God to
these bones: Behold, I will
cause breath to enter you,
and you shall live.

Ezekiel 37:6

And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; **and you shall know that I am the Lord.**”



Job 19:23-24

“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a
book! Oh that with an iron pen
and lead they **were graven in
the rock forever!**”

Job 19:25-27

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then **from my flesh I shall see God**, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Mark 12:18

And Sadducees came to him, **who say that there is no resurrection**; and they asked him a question...

Mark 12:24

Is not this why you are
wrong, that **you know**
neither the scriptures nor
the power of God?



Dry Bones

American Folk Song

Sung by Willie Watson

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Ezekiel 37:7-8

So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, **and behold, a rattling;** and the bones came together, bone to its bone.

Ezekiel 37:7-8

And as I looked, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; **but there was no breath in them.**



Ezekiel 37:9

Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the **breath**, prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, **O breath**, and **breathe upon these slain, that they may live.**”

Ezekiel 37:10

So I prophesied as he
commanded me, and the breath
came into them, and they lived,
**and stood upon their feet, an
exceedingly great host.**

Ezekiel 37:11

Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘**Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.**’



T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

Because I do not hope to turn again

Because I do not hope

Because I do not hope to turn

Desiring this man's gift and that

man's scope

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

**I no longer strive to strive towards such
things**

(Why should the aged eagle stretch its
wings?)

Why should I mourn

The vanished power of the usual reign?

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

Because I know that time is always
time

And place is always and only place

**And what is actual is actual only
for one time**

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

And only for one place

I rejoice that things are as

they are and

I renounce the blessed face

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

And renounce the voice

Because I cannot hope to turn again

Consequently I rejoice, **having to**

construct something

Upon which to rejoice

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

Under a juniper-tree the bones sang,
scattered and shining

**We are glad to be scattered, we did
little good to each other,**

Under a tree in the cool of day, with the
blessing of sand.

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

Forgetting themselves and each other, united. In the quiet of the desert. This is the land which ye Shall divide by lot. And neither division nor unity Matters.



C. S. Lewis

T.S Eliot, "Choruses from the Rock"

When the Stranger says: "What is the meaning of this city?"

Do you huddle close together because you love each other?"

What will you answer? "We all dwell together To make money from each other"? or "This is a community"?

Ezekiel 37:12

Therefore prophesy, and say to them,
Thus says the Lord God: **Behold, I
will open your graves, and raise you
from your graves.** O my people; and I
will bring you home **into the land of
Israel.**



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...TIBUS SUBLIMIORIBUS SUBDADA SINT

...PARVULI IN JUDICIO THRONUM SUUM ET IPSE
...CORPUS ANIMAM

LIVE



Ezekiel 37:13-14

**And you shall know that I am
the Lord,** when I open your
graves, and raise you from
your graves, O my people.

Ezekiel 37:13-14

And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken, and I have done it, says the Lord.”

Ephesians 1:13-14

In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the **guarantee of our inheritance** until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:13-14

guarantee of our inheritance

ἀρραβὼν τῆς κληρονομίας ἡμῶν

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Psalm 104:30

When **thou sendest forth
thy Spirit**, they are created;
and thou renewest the
face of the earth.



Jeremiah 2-17



Émile Jean-Horace Vernet







Jeremiah 1:1

The words of Jeremiah, the
son of Hilkiah, **of the priests**
who were in Anathoth in
the land of Benjamin...

Jeremiah 1

...to whom the word of the Lord came in the days of **Josiah** the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.

Jeremiah 1:3

It came also in the days of **Jehoiakim** the son of Josiah, king of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of **Zedekiah**, the son of Josiah, king of Judah, **until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.**

Jeremiah 7:31

And they have built the high place of Topheth, which is in the valley of the son of Hinnom, **to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire**; which I did not command, nor did it come into my mind.

Jeremiah 2:10

For cross to the coasts of Cyprus
and see,

or send to Kedar and examine
with care;

see **if there has been such a
thing.**



Jeremiah 2:11

**Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?**

But my people have changed
their glory for that which does
not profit.

Jeremiah 2:11

...for my people have committed two evils: **they have forsaken me,** the **fountain of living waters,** and **hewed out cisterns for themselves,** broken cisterns, that can hold no water.



John 7:37

On the last day of the feast,
the great day, Jesus stood up
and proclaimed, **“If any one
thirst, let him come to me
and drink.**

John 7:38

He who believes in me, as
the scripture has said, **‘Out
of his heart shall flow
rivers of living water.’”**

John 7:39

Now this he said about the Spirit,
which those who believed in him
were to receive; for as yet the Spirit
had not been given, because
Jesus was not yet glorified.

Jeremiah 2:18

And now what do you gain by going to Egypt, **to drink the waters of the Nile?**

Or what do you gain by going to Assyria, **to drink the waters of the Euphrates?**

Jeremiah 2:22

Though you **wash yourself with
lye and use much soap,**

the stain of your guilt is still
before me,

says the Lord God.

Lady MacBeth, Act 5, Scene 1

Out, damned spot! out, I say!--One: two:
why, then, 'tis time to do't.--Hell is
murky!--Fie, my lord, fie! a soldier, and
afeard? What need we fear who knows it,
when none can call our power to
account?--Yet **who would have thought the
old man to have had so much blood in him.**

Lady MacBeth, Act 5, Scene 1

Here's the smell of the blood still:

all the

perfumes of Arabia will not

sweeten this little

hand. Oh, oh, oh!

Jeremiah 2:27

who say to a tree, 'You are my father,' and to a stone, 'You gave me birth.' For they have turned their back to me, and not their face. But in the time of their trouble they say, **'Arise and save us!'**

Jeremiah 2:28

**But where are your gods
that you made for yourself?**

Let them arise, if they can
save you...

T.S Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

And renounce the voice

Because I cannot hope to turn again

Consequently I rejoice, **having to**

construct something

Upon which to rejoice

Jeremiah 2:32

Can a maiden forget her
ornaments, **or a bride her
attire?** Yet my people have
forgotten me days without
number.



Galatians 3:27

For as many of you as
were baptized into
Christ **have put on
Christ.**

Jeremiah 3:4–5

Have you not just now
called to me, **‘My
father, thou art the
friend of my youth—**

Jeremiah 3:5

...will he be angry for
ever, **will he be**
indignant to the end?'

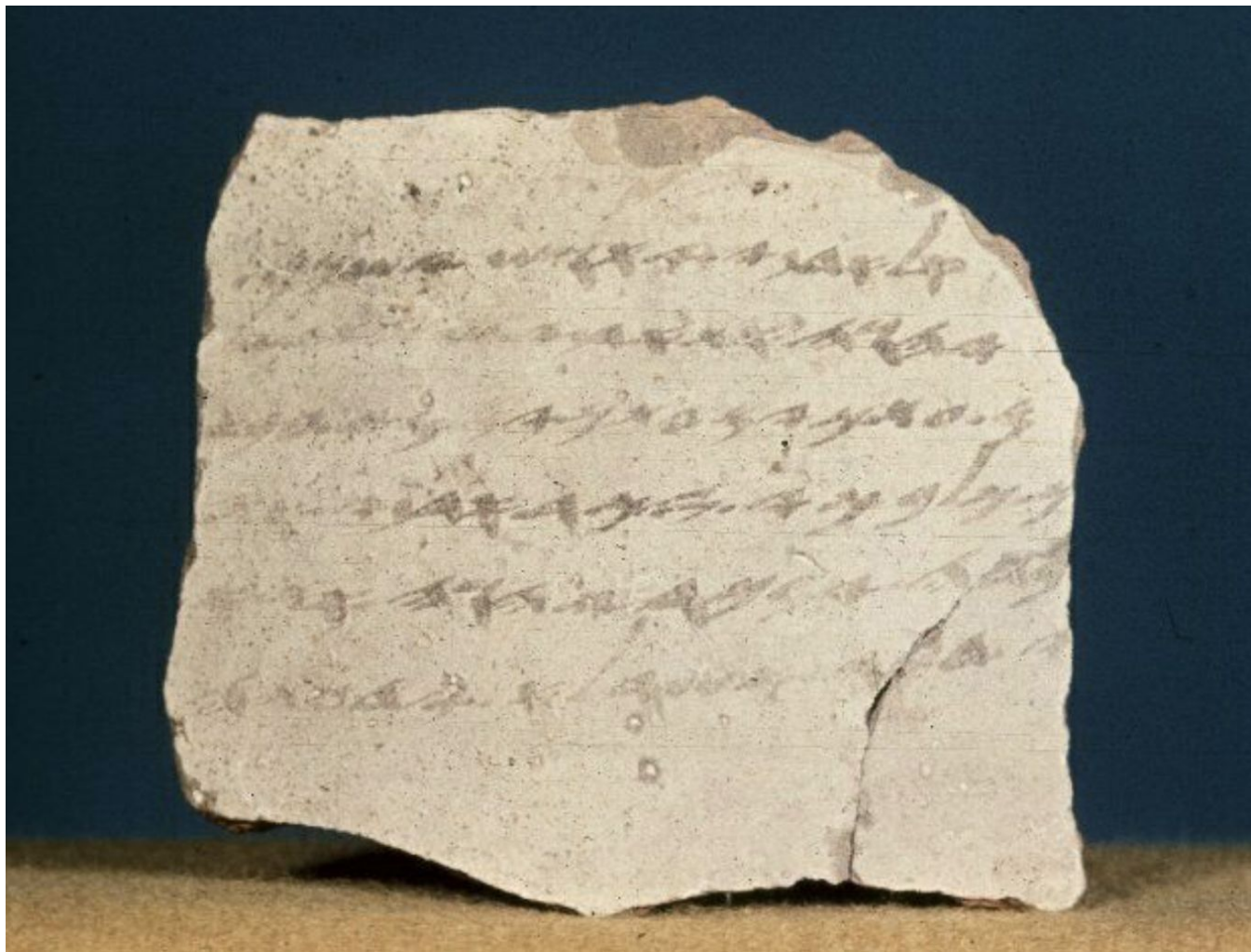
Jeremiah 3:5

Behold, you have
spoken, **but you have
done all the evil that
you could.”**

Jeremiah 6:13-14

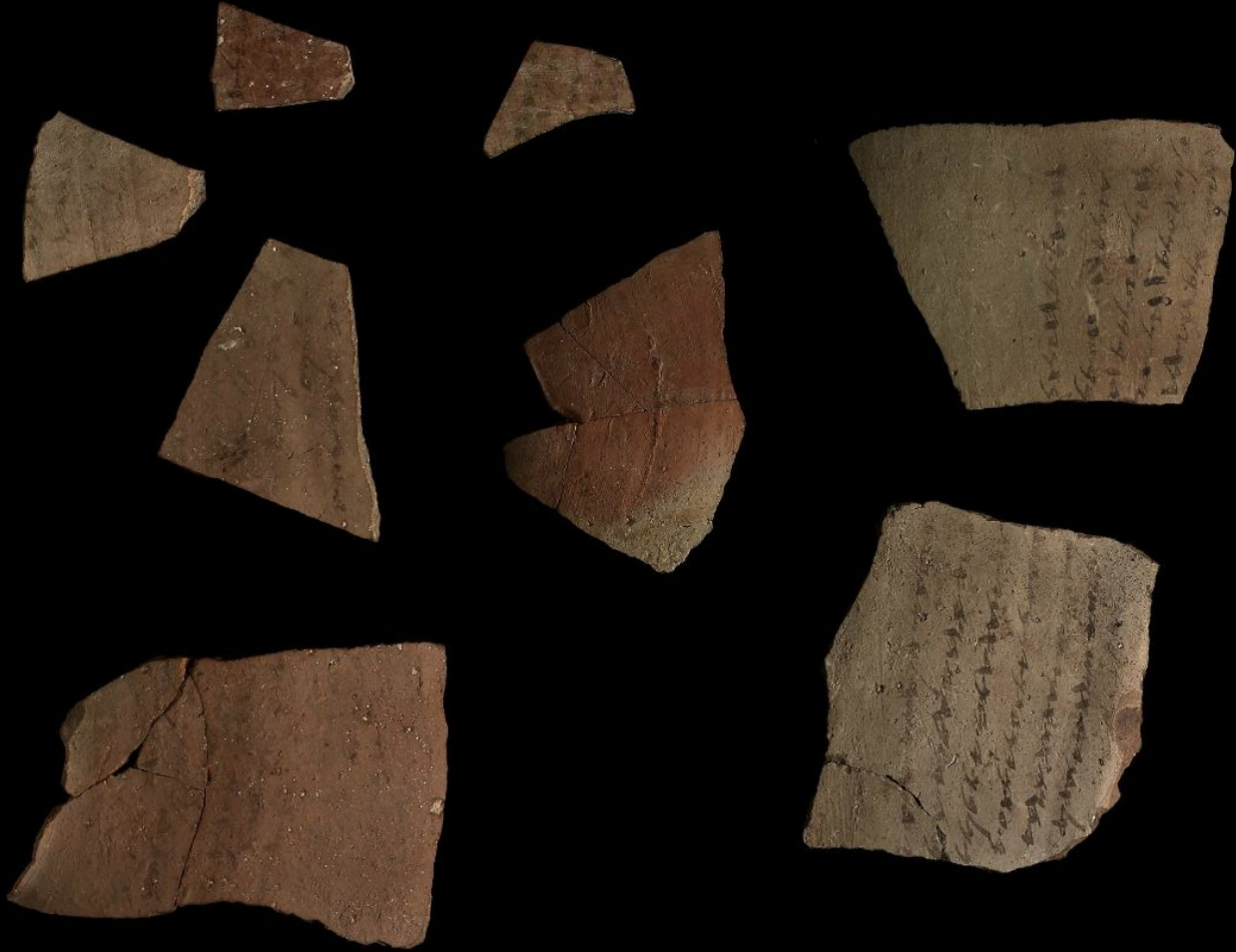
...from prophet to priest, every one deals falsely. They have healed the wound of my people lightly, **saying, 'Peace, peace,' when there is no peace.**





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Lachish Ostrakon II

To my lord Yaosh: May Yahweh cause my lord to hear **tidings of peace this very day, this very day!** Who is thy servant (but) a dog that my lord hath remembered his servant? **May Yahweh afflict those who re[port] an (evil) rumor about which thou art not Informed!**

Lachish Ostrakon VI

To my lord Yaosh: May Yahweh cause my lord to see **this season in good health!** Who is thy servant (but) a dog that my lord hath sent the [let] ter of the king and the letters of the prince[s], saying, "Pray, read them!" And behold the words of the pr[inces] are not good, (but) **to weaken our hands [and to sla]cken the hands of the m[en] who are informed about them...**

Jeremiah 6:24

We have heard the report of it,
our hands fall helpless;
anguish has taken hold of us,
pain as of a woman in travail.

Lachish Ostrakon IV

And may (my lord) be apprised
that **we are watching for the fire
signals of Lachish** according to all
the signs which my lord has given,
because we cannot see Azeqah.

Jeremiah 6:1

Flee for safety, O people of Benjamin,
from the midst of Jerusalem!

Blow the trumpet in Tekoa,

and raise a signal on

Bethhaccherem;

for evil looms out of the north,
and great destruction.

Jeremiah 6:13-14

...from prophet to priest, every one deals falsely. They have **healed the wound of my people lightly**, saying, 'Peace, peace,' when there is no peace.

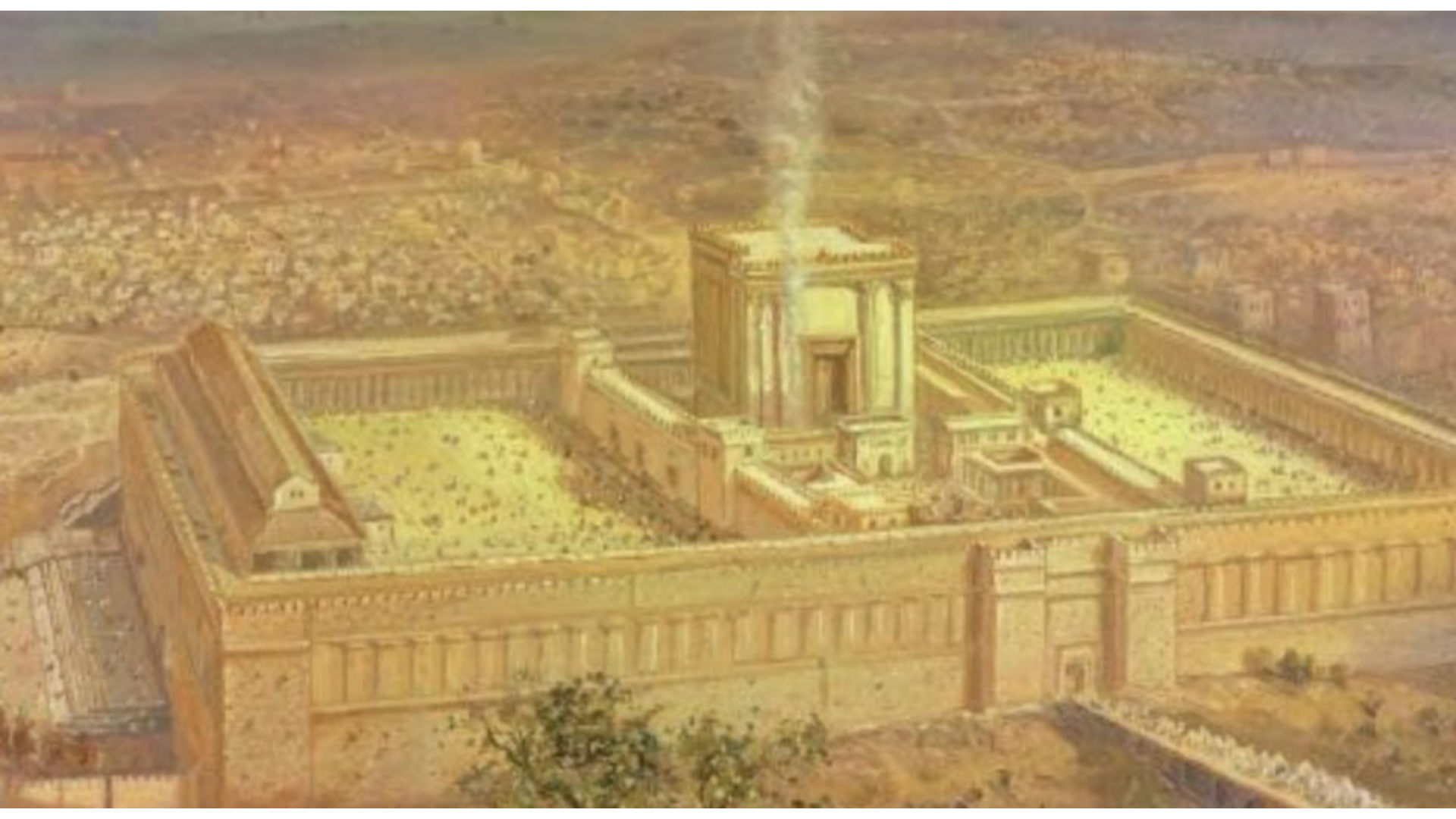
St. Catherine of Siena to Gregory XI

Sometimes men like this want to get along with purely peaceful means. **I say that this is the very worst cruelty which can be shown.**

If a wound when necessary is not cauterized or cut out with steel, but simply covered with ointment, not only does it fail to heal, but it infects everything, and many a time death follows from it.

Jeremiah 7:4

Do not trust in these
deceptive words: 'This is the
temple of the Lord, the
temple of the Lord, the
temple of the Lord.'



Jeremiah 7:4

λέγοντες

Ναὸς Κυρίου,

ναὸς Κυρίου ἐστίν.

Jeremiah 7:5

**“For if you truly amend
your ways and your
doings, if you truly execute
justice one with another...**

Jeremiah 7:6

...if you do not oppress the **alien**,
the **fatherless** or the **widow**, or
shed **innocent blood** in this
place, and if you do not **go after**
other gods to your own hurt,

Jeremiah 7:7

...then I will let you dwell
in this place, **in the land**
that I gave of old to
your fathers for ever.

Jeremiah 6:16

“Stand by the roads, and look, and **ask for the ancient paths**, where the good way is; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. But they said, ‘We will not walk in it.’”



Jean-François Millet

Jeremiah 7:8-9

“Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. Will **you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, burn incense to Ba'al**, and go after other gods that you have not known...

Jeremiah 7:10

...and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, ‘We are delivered!’—only to go on doing all these abominations?

Jeremiah 7:11

Has this house, which is called
by my name, **become a den
of robbers in your eyes?**

Behold, I myself have seen it,
says the Lord.



Jeremiah 7:12

Go now to **my place that was in Shiloh, where I made my name dwell at first**, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel.



Jeremiah 8:1-2

“At that time... **the bones** of the inhabitants of Jerusalem shall be brought out of their tombs; and they **shall be spread before the sun and the moon and all the host of heaven,** which they have loved and served and they shall not be gathered or buried...



Jeremiah 8:7

Even the stork in the heavens knows
her times;

and the turtledove, swallow, and
crane keep the time of their coming;

**but my people know not the
ordinance of the Lord.**



Jeremiah 9:1

O that my head were waters,
and my eyes a fountain of
tears, **that I might weep day
and night** for the slain of the
daughter of my people!



Jeremiah 8:22

Is there no balm in Gilead?

Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of
the daughter of my people
not been restored?

Jeremiah 9:23

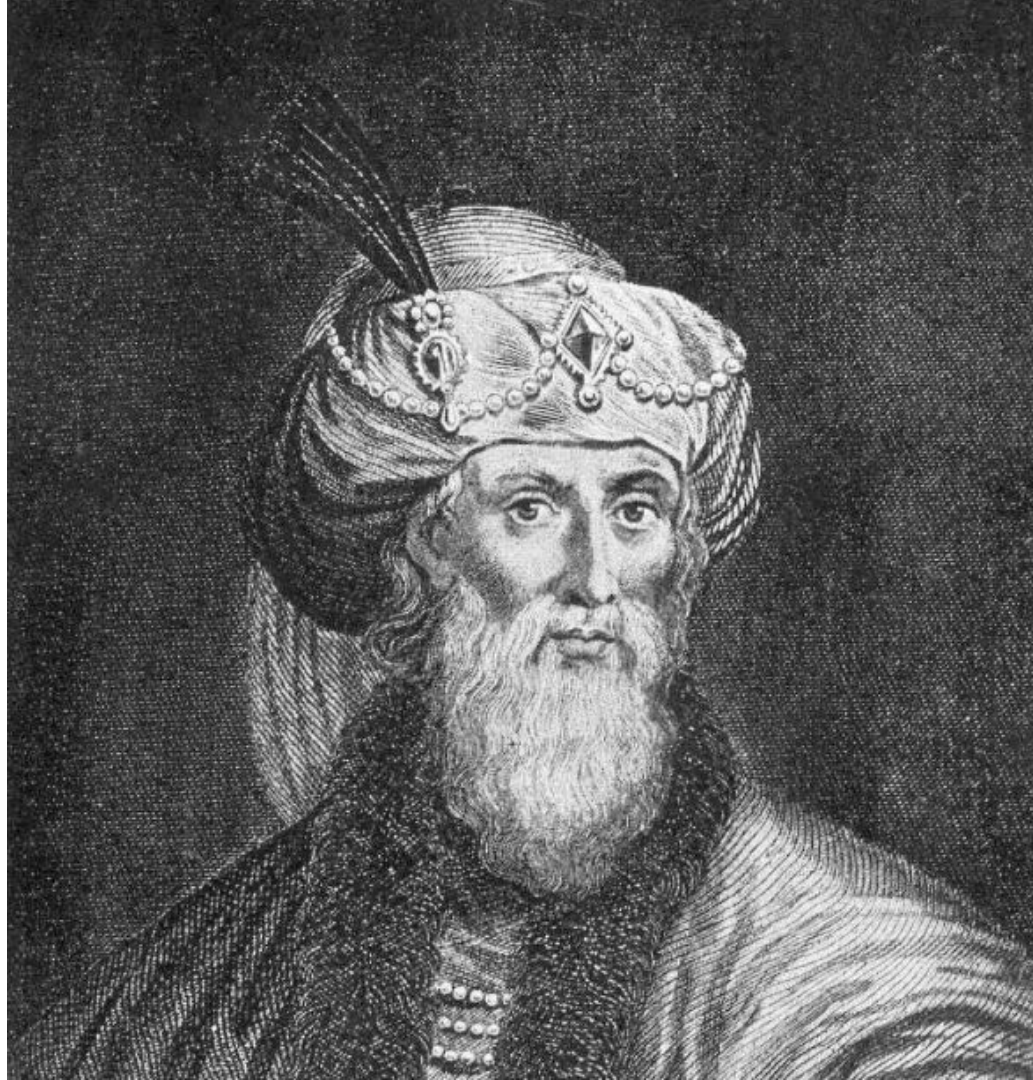
Thus says the Lord: “Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, **let not the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches.**

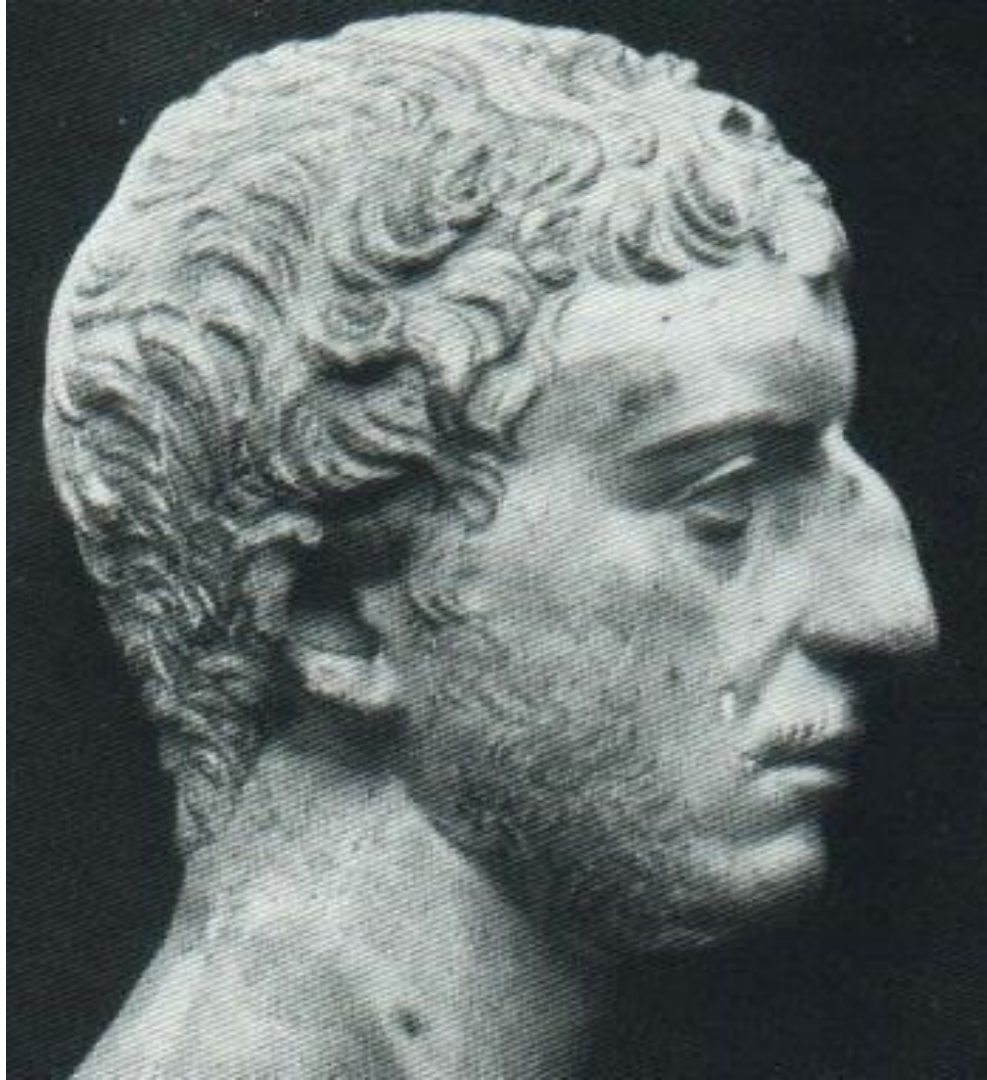
Jeremiah 9:24

...but let him who glories glory in this, **that he understands and knows me**, that I am the Lord who practice steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth...

Philippians 3:8

Indeed **I count everything as loss** because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ...





Flavius Josephus

- AD 37 – c. 100
- Jewish War
- Jewish Antiquities
- Against Apion
- Autobiography



Battle of Yodfat, *Jewish War*

Vespasian then set the engines for throwing stones and darts round about the city. The number of the engines was in all an hundred and sixty, and bid them fall to work, and dislodge those that were upon the wall. At the same time such engines as were intended for that

Battle of Yodfat, *Jewish War*

2. Now the besieged had plenty of corn within the city, and indeed of all necessaries, but they wanted water, because there was no fountain in the city, the people being there usually satisfied with rain water; yet is it a rare thing in that country to have rain in



Josephus' Prophecy, *Jewish War*

IMPERIUM ROMANUM 68 - 69 AD



1. ALPES POENIAE
2. ALPES COTTIAE
3. ALPES MARITIMAE

	GALBA	8 jun 68 - 15 jan 69
	OTHO	15 jan 69 - 16 apr 69
	VITELLIUS	17 apr 69 - 20 dec 69
	VESPASIANUS	21 dec 69 - 23 jun 79

Josephus' Surrender, *Jewish War*

Moreover, he was not unacquainted with the prophecies contained in the sacred books, as being a priest himself, and of the posterity of priests; and just then was he in an ecstasy, and setting before him the tremendous images of the dreams he had lately had, he put up a



Flavius Josephus, *Vita*. the New Jeremiah

4. [A.D. 63.] And now I perceived innovations were already begun; and that there were a great many very much elevated in hopes of a revolt from the Romans. I therefore endeavoured to put a stop to these tumultuous persons, and persuaded them to change their minds:

Flavius Josephus, *Vita*

and the chief of the Pharisees. But no small fear seized upon us when we saw the people in arms; while we our selves knew not what we should do; and were not able to restrain the seditious.

However, as the danger was directly upon us, we pretended that we were of

Flavius Josephus, *Wars of the Jews*, Book VI, ch. 2

Upon this Josephus stood in such a place where he might be heard, not by John only, but by many more; and then declared to them what Cæsar had given him in charge: and this in the Hebrew language. (5) So he earnestly prayed them, “To spare their own city; and to

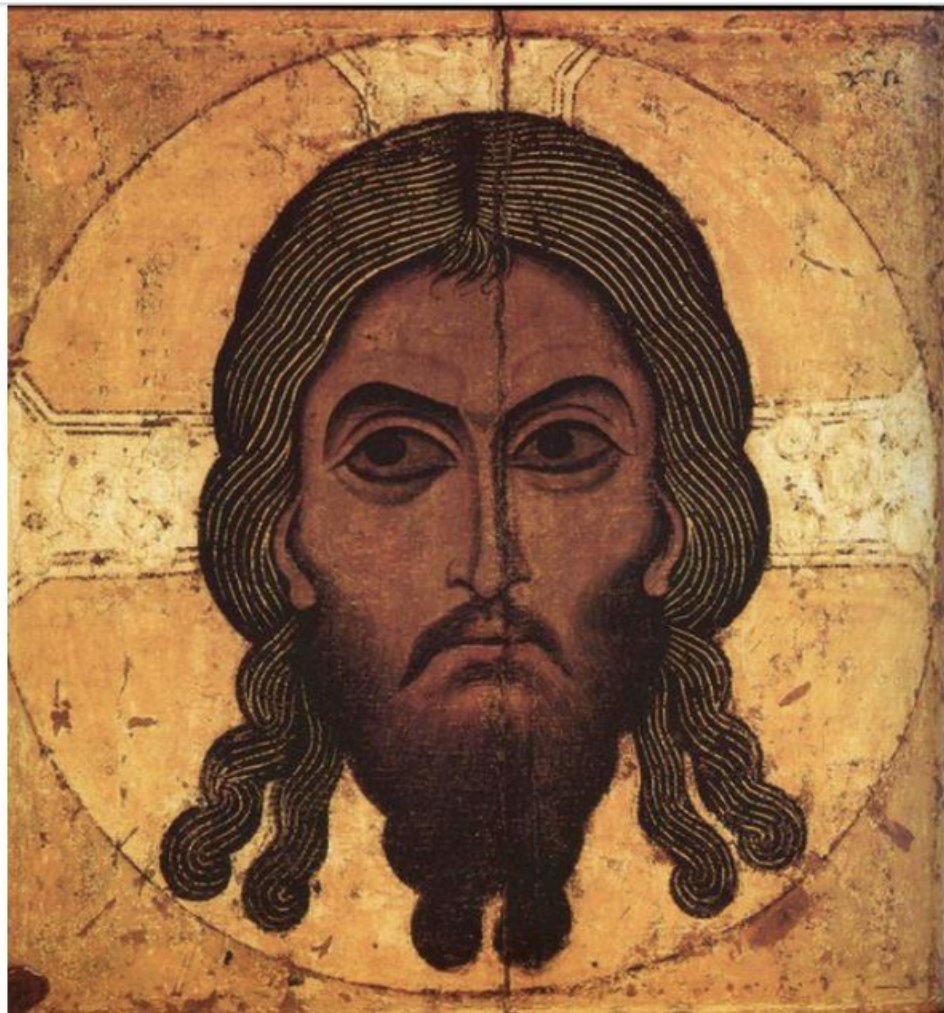
Schedule

Next Class: March 30 / 31

Isaiah 40–66



Glorious Saint Raymond of Peñafort, wise and holy patron, come to the aid of those entrusted to your care, and all who flee to your protection. Intercede for us in our need, and help us through your prayers, example, and teaching, to proclaim the truth of the Gospel to all we meet. And when we have reached the fullness of our years, we beseech you to guide us home to heaven, to live in peace with you, Our Mother Mary, and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



Gregory of Nyssa, Office of Readings, Tuesday of the 7th Week in Ordinary Time

We are in a sense our own parents,
and we give birth to ourselves by our
own free choice of what is good... On
the other hand, if... the form of Christ
has not been produced in us, we
abort ourselves.