

God's Strange Act

Bible Study Notes

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Rise Up

Compare Dan 11:44 – Dan 12:1

Dan 11:44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: **therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.**

Dan 12:1 **And at that time shall Michael stand up**, [H5975] **the great prince which standeth** [H5975] **for the children of thy people**: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

The KJV translates Strongs H5975 in the following manner: stood (171x), stand (137x), (raise, stand...) up (42x), set (32x), stay (17x), still (15x), appointed (10x), standing (10x), endure (8x), remain (8x), present (7x), continue (6x), withstand (6x), waited (5x), establish (5x), *misc* (42x).

Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon: To stand, to set firmly, to sustain.

Then I saw that Jesus would not leave the most holy place until every case was decided either for salvation or destruction, and that the wrath of God could not come until Jesus had finished His work in the most holy place, **laid off His priestly attire, and clothed Himself with the garments of vengeance.** [Stand up]{CET 100.1}

Then Jesus will step out from between the Father and men, and God will keep silence no longer, but pour out His wrath on those who have rejected His truth. I saw that [1] the anger of the nations, [2] the wrath of God, and [3] the time to judge the dead, were separate and distinct, one following the other; also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. The nations are now getting angry, but when our High Priest has finished His work in the sanctuary, He will stand up, put on the garments of vengeance, and **then the seven last plagues will be poured out.** {CET 100.2}

I saw that the four angels would hold the four winds until Jesus' work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues. These plagues enraged the wicked against the righteous; they thought that we had brought the judgments of God upon them, and that if they could rid the earth of us, the plagues would then be stayed. A decree went forth to slay the saints, which caused them to [100, 101] cry day and night for deliverance. This was the time of Jacob's trouble.

Perazim = Breaches

p^erâtsîym, per-aw-tseem'; plural of [H6556](#); **breaks**; Peratsim, a mountain in Palestine:—Perazim

Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon: rupture, **breach of a wall**. – I kings 11:27, a metaphor taken from besiegers who rush into a city through breaches in the wall in great numbers and with great violence.

2 Sam 5:17-21 But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David; and David heard of it, and went down to the hold. (18) The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim. (19) And David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto David, Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thine hand. (20) And David came to **Baalperazim**, [H1188 – plural of possessor of breaches] and David smote them there, and said, **The LORD hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place Baalperazim.** (21) And there they left their images, and David and his men burned them.

Psa 106:23 Therefore he said that he would destroy them, [because of Golden Calf – Broke Commandments] had not Moses his chosen **stood** [H5975] before him in the **breach**, [H6556 Perets] to turn away his **wrath**, lest he should destroy *them*.

2Sa 6:8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a **breach** [H6556 Perets] upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perezuzzah to this day.

What Causes the Breach or Gap in the Wall?

Isa 30:8-14 Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: (9) That this is a **[1]** rebellious people, **[2]** lying children, **[3]** children that **will not hear the law of the LORD**: (10) **[4]** Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, **Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits**: (11) Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. (12) Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, **[5]** Because ye **despise this word**, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon: (13) Therefore this **iniquity** shall be to you as a **breach** [H6556] ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant. (14) And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from the hearth, or to take water *withal* out of the pit.

Eze 22:25-31 There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; **[1]** they have **devoured souls; they have taken the treasure** and precious things; they have **made her many widows** in the midst thereof. (26) **[2]** Her priests have **violated my law**, and have **[3]** **profaned mine holy things**: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and **[4]** have **hid their eyes from my sabbaths**, and I am profaned among them. (27) **[5]** Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get **dishonest gain**. (28) And **[6]** her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and **divining lies** unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken. (29) **[7]** The people of the land **have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy**: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. (30) **And I sought for a man among them, that**

should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. (31) Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: *their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.*

1. Taking advantage of people for personal gain.
2. Violating the Law
3. Profaning Holy things. Mixing sacred and common
4. Hiding their eyes from the Sabbaths
5. Leaders are involved in dishonest gain
6. Prophetic leaders tell lies
7. Oppress the poor and needy

Exo 34:6-7 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, (7) **Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.**

Quotes from Second Commandment.

Process explain as follows:

I was shown that the time was in the near future that these whom God had warned and reproved and given great light but they would not correct their ways and follow the light, **He would remove from them that heavenly protection which had preserved them from Satan's cruel power;** the Lord would surely leave them to themselves to follow the judgment and counsels of their own wisdom; they would be simply left to themselves, and the protection of God be withdrawn from them, and they would not be shielded from the workings of Satan; that none of finite judgment and foresight can have any power to conceive of the care God has exercised through His angels over the children of men in their travels, in their own houses, in their eating and drinking. Wherever they are, His eye is upon them. They are preserved from a thousand dangers, all to them unseen. **Satan has laid snares, but the Lord is constantly at work to save His people from them.**

But [from] those who have no sense of the goodness and mercy of God, [those] who refuse His merciful warnings, who reject His counsels to reach the highest standard of Bible requirements, who do despite to the Spirit of grace, the Lord would remove His protecting power. I was shown that Satan would entangle and then destroy, if he could, the souls he had tempted. God will bear long, but there is a bound to His mercy, a line which marks His mercy and His justice.

I was shown that the judgments of God would not come directly out from the Lord upon them, but in this way: They place themselves beyond His protection. He warns, corrects, reproveth, and points out the only path of safety; then if those who have been the objects of His special care will follow their own course independent of the Spirit of God, after repeated warnings, if they choose their own way, then He does not commission His angels to prevent Satan's decided attacks upon them . [A breach created] It is Satan's power that is at work at sea and on land, bringing calamity and distress, and sweeping off multitudes to make sure of his prey. And storm and tempest both

by sea and land will be, for Satan has come down in great wrath. He is at work. He knows his time is short and, if he is not restrained, we shall see more terrible manifestations of his power than we have ever dreamed of. 14MR 3

Giving them over, loosing the evil angels

Psa 78:49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending [H4917: releasing] evil [H7451: bad or evil] angels *among them*.

Psa 78:49 He **loosed** on them His fierce anger—all His fury, rage, and hostility. He dispatched against them **a band of destroying angels**. NLT

Psa 78:49 He sendeth on them the fury of His anger, Wrath, and indignation, and distress--A **discharge** of evil messengers. YLT

Psa 78:49 He **unleashed** against them his hot anger, his wrath, indignation and hostility-- a band of destroying angels. NIV

Evil: H7451

Gen 2:9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and **evil**.

Gen 6:5 And GOD saw that the **wickedness** of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only **evil** continually.

Gen 13:13 But the men of Sodom were **wicked** and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

Psa 78:50 He **made** [weigh, ponder, make level, balance, roll flat] a way [trodden path] to his **anger**; [nose, face] he spared not their soul from death, but **gave** [H5462] their life over[H5462] to the **pestilence**;

Gave and Over

The KJV translates Strongs H5462 in the following manner: [shut](#) (40x), [shut up](#) (12x), [deliver](#) (9x), [pure](#) (8x), [deliver up](#) (7x), [shut in](#) (3x), [give up](#) (2x), [gave over](#) (2x), [inclosed](#) (1x), [repaired](#) (1x), [closed](#) (1x), [shutting](#) (1x), [stop](#) (1x), [straitly](#) (1x), [together](#) (1x), [close up](#) (1x).

anger

'aph, af; from [H599](#); properly, the nose or nostril; hence, the face, and occasionally a person; also (from the rapid breathing in passion)

Pestilence. deber, deh'-ber; from [H1696](#) (**in the sense of destroying**); a pestilence:—murrain, pestilence, plague.

He weighed the matter and made flat the path to his face. He spared not their soul but gave up their life to the destroyer, [the destruction]

Psa 78:59-62 When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel: (60) So that he **forsook [reject, let alone, cast off forsake] the tabernacle of Shiloh**, the tent which he placed among men; (61) And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand. (62) **He gave [H5462] his people over [H5462] also unto the sword**; and was wroth with his inheritance.

Rom 1:24-28 Wherefore **God also gave them up to uncleanness** through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: (25) Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. (26) **For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections**: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: (27) And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. (28) And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, **God gave them over to a reprobate mind**, to do those things which are not convenient;

Wroth

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Mat 23:37-38 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! (38) **Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.**

Divine pity marked the countenance of the Son of God as He cast one lingering look upon the temple and then upon His hearers. In a voice choked by deep anguish of heart and bitter tears He exclaimed, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!" This is the separation struggle. In the lamentation of Christ the very heart of God is pouring itself forth. It is the mysterious farewell of the long-suffering love of the Deity. {DA 620.1}

Points at Issue – Creating the Breach

Ezek 22:25-31	Matt 23
1. Taking advantage of people for personal gain.	Mat 23:25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.
2. Violating the Law	Mat 23:23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law , judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.
3. Profaning Holy things. Mixing sacred	Mat 23:16-20 Woe unto you, ye blind guides,

and common	which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor! (17) Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold? (18) And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty. (19) Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift? (20) Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon.
4. Hiding their eyes from the Sabbaths	Matt 23:4. For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne , and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.
5. Leaders are involved in dishonest gain	Mat 23:16 Woe unto you, ye blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!
6. Prophetic leaders tell lies	Mat 23:28 Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
7. Oppress the poor and needy	Mat 23:14 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses , and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

Men cannot with impunity reject the warning which God in mercy sends them. A message was sent from heaven to the world in Noah's day, and their salvation depended upon the manner in which they treated that message. **Because they rejected the warning, the Spirit of God was withdrawn from the sinful race, [Breach is made] and they perished in the waters of the Flood.** In the time of Abraham, mercy ceased to plead with **the guilty inhabitants of Sodom**, and all but Lot with his wife and two daughters were consumed by the fire sent down from heaven. **So in the days of Christ.** The Son of God declared to the unbelieving Jews of that generation: "**Your house is left unto you desolate.**" Matthew 23:38. Looking down to the last days, the same Infinite Power declares, concerning those who "received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved": "For this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12. **As they reject the teachings of His word, God withdraws His Spirit and leaves them to the deceptions which they love.** GC 431

The Breach made on Christ

Christ was to take the wrath of God, which in justice should fall upon man. {Con 19.3}

God's Wrath is stepping away, and allowing a breach.

Christ's heart was pierced by a far sharper pain than that caused by the nails driven into His hands and feet. He was bearing the sins of the whole world, **enduring our punishment--the wrath of God against transgression. His trial involved the fierce temptation of thinking that He was forsaken by God.** His soul was tortured by the pressure of great darkness, lest He should swerve from His uprightness during the terrible ordeal. {3SM 132.2}

Matt 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Gibeon

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Jos 10:1-14 Now it came to pass, when Adonizedek king of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them; (2) That they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all the men thereof were mighty. (3) Wherefore Adonizedek king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying, (4) **Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel.** (5) **Therefore the five kings of the Amorites**, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it. (6) And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us. (7) So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour. (8) And the LORD said unto Joshua, **Fear them not: for I have delivered [given] them into thine hand;** there shall not a man of them stand before thee. (9) Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and went up from Gilgal all night. (10) And the LORD **discomfited** [disturbed] them before Israel, **and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Bethhoron, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah.** (11) **And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Bethhoron, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which died with hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.** (12) Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. (13) And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day. (14) And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.

I was shown that the judgments of God would not come directly out from the Lord upon them, but in this way: They place themselves beyond His protection. He warns, corrects, reproveth, and points out the only path of safety; then if those who have been the objects of His special care will follow their own course independent of the Spirit of God, after repeated warnings, if they choose their own way, then He does not commission His angels to prevent Satan's decided attacks upon them. [A breach created] **It is Satan's power that is at work at sea and on land, bringing calamity and distress, and sweeping off multitudes to make sure of his prey.** And storm and tempest both by sea and land will be, for Satan has come down in great wrath. He is at work. He knows his time is short and, if he is not restrained, we shall see more terrible manifestations of his power than we have ever dreamed of. 14MR 3

Satan works through the elements also to garner his harvest of unprepared souls. He has studied the secrets of the laboratories of nature, and he uses all his power to control the elements as far as God allows. When he was suffered to afflict Job, how quickly flocks and herds, servants, houses, children, were swept away, one trouble succeeding another as in a moment. It is God that shields His creatures and hedges them in from the power of the destroyer. But the Christian world have shown contempt for the law of Jehovah; and the Lord will do just what He has declared that He would--He will withdraw His blessings from the earth and remove His protecting care from those who are rebelling against His law and teaching and forcing others to do the same. Satan has control of all whom God does not especially guard. He will favor and prosper some in order to further his own designs, and he will bring trouble upon others and lead men to believe that it is God who is afflicting them. {GC 589.2}

Gibeon was an example of God allowing a Breach in his wall of protection and He visited iniquity with iniquity. When the cup of iniquity is full for a nation the breach can't be stopped. The Amorites cup was full as explained to Abraham.

Gen 15:16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.'

Of the Amorites the Lord said: "In the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full." Although this nation was conspicuous because of its idolatry and corruption, it had not yet filled up the cup of its iniquity, and God would not give command for its utter destruction. The people were to see the divine power manifested in a marked manner, that they might be left without excuse. The compassionate Creator was willing to bear with their iniquity until the fourth generation. Then, if no change was seen for the better, His judgments were to fall upon them. {5T 208.1}

With unerring accuracy the Infinite One still keeps an account with all nations. While His mercy is tendered with calls to repentance, this account will remain open; but when the figures reach a certain amount which God has fixed, the ministry of His wrath commences. The account is closed. Divine patience ceases. There is no more pleading of mercy in their behalf. {5T 208.2}

These nations on the borders of Canaan would have been spared, had they not stood, in defiance of God's word, to oppose the progress of Israel. The Lord had shown Himself to be long-suffering, of great kindness and tender pity, even to these heathen peoples. When Abraham was shown in vision that his seed, the children of Israel, should be strangers in a strange land four hundred years, the

Lord gave him the promise, "In the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full." Genesis 15:16. Although the Amorites were idolaters, whose life was justly forfeited by their great wickedness, God spared them four hundred years to give them unmistakable evidence that He was the only true God, the Maker of heaven and earth. All His wonders in bringing Israel from Egypt were known to them. Sufficient evidence was given; they might have known the truth, had they been willing to turn from their idolatry and licentiousness. But they rejected the light and clung to their idols. {PP 434.2}

On reaching the border of the Amorites, Israel had asked permission only to travel directly through the country, promising to observe the same rules that had governed their intercourse with other nations. When the Amorite king refused this courteous solicitation, and defiantly gathered his hosts for battle, their cup of iniquity was full, and God would now exercise His power for their overthrow. {PP 434.3}

The Israelites crossed the river Arnon and advanced upon the foe. An engagement took place, in which the armies of Israel were victorious; and, following up the advantage gained, they were soon in possession of the country of the Amorites. It was the Captain of the Lord's host who vanquished the enemies of His people; and He would have done the same thirty-eight years before had Israel trusted in Him. {PP 435.1}

Strange

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Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon: To turn aside. To depart. To turn from the way. To be a stranger. – Depart from me I never knew you!

When God turns aside it causes complete discomfiture as when Christ cried out, My God why have you forsaken me. His heart broke.

It is foreign for God to let people go. How I wanted to gather you as a Hen gathers her chicks

The final cup of iniquity being full

Rev 16:16-21 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. (17) And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. (18) And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. (19) And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: **and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.** (20) And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. (21) **And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent:** [Like Gibeon] and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Woman riding Beast

1. Breaks the Law
2. Rejects the Gospel
3. Tells lies
4. Deceives people for gain

Christ Stands up to sustain his people, The Breach is made. The four angels let go the winds of strife. Satan is free to destroy those who reject the Law of God.