

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations" (Matt 28:19)

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The Judgment Of Egypt



2. Isaiah 19:1-25

Isa 19:1

The <u>burden</u> of Egypt. Behold, <u>the LORD</u> <u>rideth upon a swift cloud</u>, and <u>shall come into</u> <u>Egypt</u>: and <u>the idols of Egypt</u> shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

- BURDEN= Heb. *Massa* appears 66x, including 10x in ISAIAH and 13x in the prophetic books and means, "that which is borne or carried; a load"
- *Massa* is translated "burden" 57x; "song" 3x; "prophecy" 2x; "set", "exaction", "tribute", and "carry away" 1x each
- A SWIFT CLOUD= associated with the Second Coming of Christ and typified at Mt. Sinai

Matt 24:30

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man **coming in the clouds** of heaven with power and great glory.



Rev 1:7

Behold, <u>he cometh with clouds</u>; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Exo 19:16

And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.

• SHALL COME INTO EGYPT= the Lord's descent upon Mt. Sinai to give the law to Israel is a type of the Second Coming of Christ; specifically, that there is a distinct PATH that appears to begin at Mt. Sinai in EGYPT

Exo 19:11

And <u>be ready</u> against <u>the third day</u>: for the third day <u>the LORD will come down</u> in the sight of all the people <u>upon mount Sinai</u>.

Deu 33:2

And he said, <u>The LORD came from Sinai</u>, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and <u>he came with ten thousands of saints</u>: from his right hand *went* a fiery law for them.



Psa 68:8

The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: <u>even Sinai</u> itself <u>was moved</u> at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

• THE IDOLS OF EGYPT= Egypt is currently an ISLAMIC nation, and idols are forbidden in Islam; therefore, between now and no later than the Second Coming of Christ, Egypt will abandon Islam for a religion that includes IDOLATRY (v.3) (i.e.- worship of the Antichrist)



Isa 19:2-3

And I will set <u>the Egyptians against the Egyptians</u>: and <u>they shall fight every one against his brother</u>, and every one against his neighbour; <u>city against city</u>, *and <u>kingdom against kingdom</u>*.

And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.

- THE EGYPTIANS AGAINST THE EGYPTIANS= a clear reference to a CIVIL WAR
- There is current conflict in Egypt between those favorable to the ruling government of the Muslim Brotherhood, and those opposed to them
- It is possible that the current rhetoric and protests will escalate out of control into a full scale civil war that will make the current civil war in Syria look like a day at the amusement park
- THE SPIRIT OF EGYPT SHALL FAIL= the spirit of Egypt shall be emptied and replaced by a PERVERSE spirit that will cause Egypt to err in every work (v.14)



- FAIL= Heb. *Baqaq*= the same word is translated EMPTY and UTTERLY EMPTIED (Isa 24:1,3)
- I WILL DESTROY THE COUNSEL= answers will be sought from the political leaders (i.e.- "princes") but there will be none (v.11,13)
- THEY SHALL SEEK TO THE IDOLS...AND...WIZARDS= Egyptians will either turn from Islam to paganism and the occult by this time or the "idols", "charmers", "them that have familiar spirits", and "wizards" are the Lord's description of Islam and it's leaders (i.e.- he equates them to IDOLATRY and the OCCULT)
- The religious leaders (i.e.- "wise men") (v.12) will not have the answers either
- This civil war will completely enflame Egypt could be the reason why they do not participate in either the war of Psalm 83 or the invasion of Ezekiel 38
- It appears the civil war continues until the Lord delivers Egypt into the hand of the Antichrist, in the first half of the Tribulation



Isa 19:4

And the Egyptians will I give over <u>into the hand of a cruel lord</u>; and <u>a fierce king shall rule</u> over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

• THE HAND OF A CRUEL LORD= this passage has a dual fulfillment- a near fulfillment in Nebuchadnezzar and a far fulfillment in the Antichrist, of whom Nebuchadnezzar is a type

Eze 29:19

Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, <u>I will give the land of Egypt unto</u> <u>Nebuchadrezzar</u> king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.

Eze 30:10,13

Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I will make the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken *it*.



Jer 46:26

And <u>I will deliver them into the hand of</u> those that seek their lives, and into the hand of <u>Nebuchadrezzar</u> king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.

Dan 11:42

He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

• A FIERCE KING SHALL RULE OVER THEM= a clear reference to the Antichrist who decimates Egypt and plunders all her treasures in the first half of the Tribulation

Dan 8:23; 11:43

And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, **a king of fierce countenance**, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

But <u>he shall have power over the treasures</u> of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.



• Isaiah 19 presents a contrast between the Antichrist and Jesus Christ in their relation to Egypt:

Antichrist (v.4)	Jesus Christ (v.20)
A cruel lord	A Savior
A fierce king	A great one
Shall rule over them	Shall deliver them



Isa 19:5-7

And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up.

And they shall turn the rivers far away; and the brooks of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.

The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and <u>every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither</u>, be driven away, and be no *more*.

- THE WATERS SHALL FAIL= just as the spirit shall fail in Egypt (v.3) so all the water sources shall fail
- THE RIVER SHALL BE WASTED= refers to the Nile river
- This desolation of Egypt's water supply is a result of famine stemming from the civil war (v.2) and the conquest of the Antichrist (v.4), which is typified by the conquest of Nebuchadnezzar

Eze 30:11-12

<u>He</u> and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, <u>shall be brought to destroy the land</u>: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

And <u>I will make the rivers dry</u>, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and <u>I will make</u> the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken *it*.



Isa 19:8-10

The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.

Moreover <u>they that work in fine flax</u>, and <u>they that weave networks</u>, <u>shall be confounded</u>. And <u>they shall be broken</u> in the purposes thereof, <u>all that make sluices and ponds for fish</u>.

- The drying up of Egypt's water supply will decimate their entire economy including the food and textile industries as fish and plants die for lack of water
- FLAX= "a blue-flowered herbaceous plant that is cultivated for it's seed (linseed) and textile fiber"
- SLUICE= "a floodgate"



Isa 19:11-15

Surely <u>the princes of Zoan</u> are fools, the counsel of <u>the wise counsellors</u> of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto <u>Pharaoh</u>, I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?

Where *are* they? where *are* thy <u>wise *men*</u>? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof.

The LORD hath mingled <u>a perverse spirit in the midst thereof</u>: and <u>they have caused Egypt</u> <u>to err in every work</u> thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.

Neither shall there be any work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do.

- PHARAOH= Mohammed Morsi, the current president of Egypt and member of the Muslim Brotherhood, gave himself the title of the new "Pharaoh"
- NOPH= the Hebrew name for the Egyptian city of MEMPHIS (Hos 9:6)
- The Lord will destroy all of the political and religious counsel in Egypt by mingling a perverse spirit in their midst that will deceive them to make all the wrong decisions and take all the wrong actions



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