

# *An Overview of Biblical Prophecy*

## (7) The Nation of Israel

### *The history of the Jews up to Pentecost...Ez.20:1-31*

What is happening in Ez.20:1? And the Lord's response? vs.2-3

**Elders of Israel come to question the Lord. Lord's response? Forget it! I will not allow it.**

Why was the Lord so harsh with them? vs.4 Jer.16:10-13 Note: **Ez.18:19-32** Luke:12:48

**They were still following the detestable practices of their fathers. Abominations to Him...**

In response to God's gracious gift of freedom/promised land, what did they do? vs.8

**They rebelled, would not listen to Him. Would not give up their idols from Egypt.**

And what was the Lord's reaction? vs.8b see Num.33:1-4

**He determined to pour out His wrath on them while still in Egypt. But...**

However, instead He did what for them? vs.10-12 Ex.19-24 Why did He do this? vs.9

**Gave them Law, Sabbaths (sign) so they would know Him. He did this for His name.**

And what was the response of the Jews? vs.13 (Ex.32) and His response? vs.13b

**They rejected Laws, utterly desecrated His Sabbaths. He determined to pour out wrath...**

However, instead of that, He did what for them? vs.17-20 see Lev.18:26-30

**He pitied them. Spoke to children. Do not follow fathers. Follow Me. But...**

And what was the response of the Jews? vs.21 and His response? vs.21b

**The children rebelled. Etc, etc. The Lord determined to pour out wrath, but...**

However, instead of that, He did what? vs.22-26

**Spared them BUT, scattered, turned over to idol worship, even infant sacrifices.**

And how had the Jews continued to behave? vs.27-31

**Idol worship everywhere! Infant sacrifices continued, defiled themselves. Wrath...**

How did Jesus evaluate the Jews? Mt.23:37-39

**He desires to gather them, but they are unwilling. Judgment! Desolate until they repent!**

How did the Jews receive their own Messiah? Acts.7:51-60

**They rejected Him. They crucified Him. And even afterward, would NOT repent!**

Most importantly, what has always been true of Israel? Rom.9:27-29; 1Kings 19:10, 18

**God has always had a Godly remnant in Israel. In the end only the remnant will live.**

And what is the message to us, the church, today? 1Cor.10:1-6; 1Pet.4:17-19

**The Biblical history of the Jews is a warning example to us. God will judge His people.**

What is the application of this study in your life?

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Next: ***The Jews from Pentecost to the rapture...***